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Andover recall

Merrow handily prevails

By ALISON ALOISIO

In the wake of the defeat of a second recall effort on Andover Selectman Susan Merrow, one of the petition organizers called the issue "over and done with."

The tally of a referendum vote Tuesday was 237-151 against removing her.

A petition calling for her ouster was submitted to selectmen in May, citing conflict of interest, neglect to perform duties of office and engaging in behavior unbecoming a public official.

Those reasons were the same listed on another petition circulated last year. In a November referendum, residents voted to keep her in office 289-263.

Victor Peterson, who with Phil Milligan circulated the most recent petition, had the following comment on Tuesday's result:

"The will of the voters have See RECALL, Page 4

Tornado touches down in E. Bethel

By ALISON ALOISIO

East Bethel and Hanover residents looking to the skies Saturday evening were surprised to spot several funnel

One of the funnels later confirmed to be a tornado reached the ground and

downed trees and corn stalks. Bekah Howe of East Bethel could hardly believe her eyes

At about 6:30 p.m., "I was sitting out back of my house and we could hear a noise almost like thunder, but kind of banging. In the sky you could see a funnel. We were joking that if we lived down south we would be running for the cel-

Sonny Hastings of Hastings Farm in East Bethel did not see the tornado, but he saw the results in his cornfield. "It pulled the corn right out

of the ground," he said. He said a neighbor recorded

a video of the funnel pulling water from the Androscoggin Suzy and John Wight also recorded video of the funnel.

"Suzy called me to the window and said there was a weird cloud formation that

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Volunteer effort ramps up recreational infrastructure



Rocky Freda (left) and Jeff Stern look on Friday as Charlie Dow of Environmental Projects Inc. of Auburn tightens a bolt fastening together two of the 20 concrete slabs at the new Moran's Landing boat launch in Hanover. In the cab of the forklift, EPI's Tim Webber eases the next slabs --- weighing in at 1,100 pounds apiece - into place. When some fine tuning of a slab's position was necessary in order to line the fasteners up properly, Freda and Stern grabbed the nearby crowbar and leveraged a little old-fashioned muscle power. (Photo: M. Daniels)

# Miles more prime fishery now open to non-motorized access

By MICHAEL DANIELS

miles of river to fishing," said Maine Guide Rocky

Freda is the self-confessed "instigator" of a twoyear-long effort that resulted in a new, concrete boat launch at the Mahoosuc Land Trust's Moran's Landing (or "Bear River Rips") property in Hanover.

The five-acre property is located between Route 2 and the Androscoggin River, just east of Newry Cor-

The public has had access to the river there since 2002, when MLT purchased the site, and added it, as a canoe landing, to the Androscoggin Canoe Trail.

The 42-mile trail, created in 2001, consists of a most of the boats those trailers will be hauling will "That access is going to open up easily 11 more string of landing sites, roughly five miles apart, be-be drift boats." tween the Shelburne Dam in New Hampshire and

But at Moran's Landing that access was along a narrow footpath to the water's edge, too tight for any craft larger than a canoe or kayak.

There was also limited parking space at the site. But now a 10-foot-wide, 175-foot-long access road leads to the river, where the transition from land to water is eased by a sloping 30-foot concrete ramp.

And a new parking area at the site can accommodate five pickups with boat trailers. Freda and other project supporters expect that

"Driftboating, in which guides provide services to anglers to access the river's emerging trophy trout fishery, is gaining popularity and greater importance to the economy of western Maine. Providing improved fishing access at Moran's Landing will allow drift boats to reach a prime stretch of river for

The ramp project was funded in part (\$2,000) by the

Land for Maine's Future Board. In applying for the

funds, MLT described the rationale as follows:

Route for this year's

triathlon tweaked

A change in the route for this year's Maine State Triath-

lon means the event will end at the same place it starts—at

The triathlon traditionally begins at 6 a.m. with a circular

Competitors then hop on bicycles, heading south on Route

In the past the racers have then hit the ground running at

swim leg in Songo, starting at the Bethel Inn's Lake House.

5 for several miles before doubling back to Vernon Street

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# Noted Harvard geologist to speak on preserving our mining history

Carl Francis. an internationally known geologist and curator of the Harvard University Mineralogy Museum, will speak in Bethel Saturday about "Why Preserving Maine's Mining History is Important to Western Maine."

The lecture, at the Bethel Historical Society, is free and open to the public.

An effort to acquire historical material related to Maine's rich mining history, including mineral collections and gemstones native to western Maine, is currently under-

Larry Stifler and Mary Mc-Fadden, summer residents of Albany, have offered to build

SUMMER SALE

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part of the society's long range fundraising and development The Stiflers have already

acquired historical mining

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a mineral museum/wing at the BHS' Robinson House as Maine minerals, Larry Stiff-

ler said. They also have offers of donations for the museum from

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PUBLIC HEARING ON POSSIBLE **ADDITION OF PERFORMING** ARTS CENTER/BLACK BOX THEATER AND SECOND **GYMNASIUM TO THE TELSTAR** 

COMPLEX The above project has received approval by the Maine State Board of Education for a 0% interest loan

using Federal Stimulus money available to the state. The MSAD 44 School Board is seeking to gauge the level of inter-

est within the community on the above project.

Date: Wednesday, July 29, 2009 Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Helen C. Berry Auditorium. Telstar Middle/High School

# Gould Academy for the final leg, circling the school's cross-See TRIATHLON Page 4 7th Annual Greenstock Snowsports

Utilizes different stretch of Route 5

Songo Pond in Albany.

and into Bethel.



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# Letters

### PROTECT OUR TRACK

### To the Editor:

I still have pictures of a lumpy, muddy piece of land behind our high school. I still have pictures of my daughter and her track team running up and down Route 26. I also remember having to go away to all the track meets because we didn't have a nice track of our own.

Now we are so lucky, but today as I was running on track 5, I came across some people who were not so kind. They were running on the inside, so I tried to explain to them why we must run on the outside. They got angry and told me it was none of my business what they did. So they persisted on running on the inside and threatened to bring their five dogs for the next day. Again, I tried to tell them that dogs are not allowed because of the mess they make and that their nails dig up our beautiful track. After all, we waited a long time for this track and it is a privilege to be able to use it not abuse it!

I implore all of you track people to help me protect our wonderful track from terrible people like this. I sadly would rather see our track be all locked up than to let careless people abuse it in this manner. What do you think?

Monique Bailey Bethel

### 'FAMINE' CHANGED LIVES HERE

### To the Editor:

This is a letter of thanks to everyone who made the 30 Hour Famine such a success. Your support made a difference for both the cause of children's hunger and as an impact on those of us who participated. On July 12 and 13, twelve of our local teens in the Bethel Alliance Church Youth Groups answered the call to action and raised money for World Vision's children's hunger relief effort by pledging to go 30 hours with no food. This call is from the words of Jesus who, through the writing of the apostle John, asked those of us who look to him, "Do you love me?" and then gave the action he desired with his directive, "Take care of my sheep." Additionally, the teens constructed shelters out of cardboard and tarps to spend the night out on the ground with no bed. Although a burst of heavy rain (enough to collapse several roofs) forced us inside at midnight, it strongly made the lesson real about what a gift it is to have a dry place to go when you're cold and wet versus what it is like to have no choice.

The 257 small crosses in front of the church represent the number of children worldwide who die every 30 minutes from hunger. To that end, our teens raised more than \$2,000, enough money to feed and care for five children for an entire year, and because of matching funds pledged to World Vision, that number will be multiplied to 33. We hope to be able to make this an annual event. To all whose support made their efforts bear this fruit, I extend deep and sincere thanks on behalf of us all. Specifically, we thank Bethel's Best, Home Slice and Pat's for their generous pizza donations to feed everyone at the end of the fast, to the congregation members who donated soda and desserts for the same, and to the administration of the Alliance Church for the use of the property and the encouragement.

The 30 Hour Famine not only changed the lives of people in places we will never know, it changed lives here, too.

Jim Rose Youth Pastor, Bethel Alliance Church

### PIANO 'FEAST' IN BETHEL

Lovers of classical piano music enjoyed a "feast" in Bethel this July with the third annual "Music without Borders" International Piano Festival at Gould Academy's McLaughlin Science Center. Students in 2009 of Festival Director Tamara Poddubnaya, a native of Georgia in the Caucasus, were from the Netherlands, Bulgaria and the United States. Dr. Poddubnaya, who was trained at the Rimsky-Korsakov Conservatory in St. Petersburg, Russia, where she received her doctorate in piano performance with distinction in 1976, has been leading this f tival for the past three years. Student performances were given each Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Admission was free and the quality of the performances was extremely high.

What a remarkable program this is for the community and one more reason why life in Bethel is so special. This outstanding musical experience is expected to be back again in Bethel in July 2010, so anyone wishing to enjoy memorable musical performances should take note.

A good deal of gratitude is also due Dr. Donald Christie, a Gould graduate and longtime trustee, who has taken such an active interest in this project and does so much to ensure its continued success.

> Stan Howe Bethel

### UPTON FUN DAY THANKS

### To the Editor:

Thank you to the Ladies Aid Society of Upton and all the people who helped plan this event. The food, crafts and games were great and fun was had by all.

I appreciated meeting all the people who had attended the Upton School and shared their stories of Upton and her people. Look forward to next year's celebration!

> Michele Bouchard Upton

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### LOOK AT AN ADDITION'S REAL COSTS

### To the Editor:

I've read about colleges that are hesitant to accept a free building from a rich alumnus, not just an interest-free loan for a building, because they know that it will cost them plenty to operate that free building. Before we consider accepting an interest-free loan for five million dollars, we owe it to ourselves to understand what it will cost us to own these additions to our Telstar build-

First of all, there is the five million dollars itself. Spread out over 20 years, that's still \$250,000 per year that we could either be spending on something we might need more than this (such as several teaching positions?) or not be spending at all.

We'll also have to heat these additions. If these additions were to add, say, 10 percent to the footprint of the existing building, then we should expect our heating bill to go up by about 10 per-

We'll also have to clean, maintain, light and insure these additions.

Again, if these additions were to add, say, 10 percent to the footprint of the existing building, then we should expect the bills for cleaning, maintenance, lighting and insurance to go up by about 10 percent.

I think we're talking about a lot more than \$250,000 per year to own and operate what we buy with our interest-free loan. It is not my job to come up with firm numbers for these cost increases, but it is surely somebody's job to do this, and to do it before we consider taking on the commitment of paying for these cost increases.

Also, are we going to have to equip these additions ourselves? Does the interest-free loan cover just the second gym and the second theater buildings, or does it include the sound systems. the lighting systems, the bleachers, the installed athletic equipment — all the stuff that we would have to have in these additions, all the stuff that we don't have to have now — or would we have to buy that stuff separately?

Let us also consider the difference between "want to have" and "need to have." One could make the case that we needed to have two gyms instead of one, and two theaters instead of one, if our enrollment were doubling. Our enrollment is not doubling; if anything, it is declining.

So this isn't something that we need; it is instead something that we want, so it is quite reasonable to ask if we can afford it.

Oh, but maybe this interest-free loan won't be available later on. If we don't buy this stuff right now, and we do buy it later on, then we'll have to pay even more for it. Or so the argument goes. Well, just because Wal-Mart might be having a half-price sale on brassieres this week only, that doesn't mean that I need to run right out and buy a brassiere. Scott Hynek

Bethel

### MYTH OF BEAR AS PREDATOR

### To the Editor:

Last week on the front page of the Bethel Citizen there was a picture of a small yearling (maybe 50 pounds) raiding a birdfeeder. The accompanying text, obviously information from a Mr. Foster of Andover, said that a bear made himself comfortably at home ... "the bear was about eight feet away with the doors open and showed no fear" and finished with the information that a 12gauge shotgun was needed to scare the sub-adult away.

I can't help wondering why Mr. Foster didn't just yell or wave his hands to frighten the young-

I would like to point out that it is this kind of thinking/innuendo that perpetuates the myth of the black bear as human predator. To suggest that the black bear is a threat to people is simply not true. Worse, this kind of "man against nature" paradigm generates fear and mistrust when humans need to learn how to co-exist with our bears if we want to continue seeing and hunting

In reality the black bear is shy and reclusive, and as most researchers will acknowledge, even a female with cubs will tree them and run rather than provoke an altercation with humans.

The exception to this rule occurs when the bear in question has been habituated to humans either through bear baiting by hunters, or by some other means such a being orphaned at an early age as this little bear probably was.

When a bear loses its mother too soon it doesn't get a chance to learn two critical life skills. First, it doesn't learn how to fear humans. Secondly, it doesn't learn how to find food in the wild. This learning takes place over a period of the first year and a half of the cub's life and without it a bear is at serious risk.

Research indicates repeatedly that it is often the orphaned cub/or yearling that becomes a "problem bear."

I propose that we can make a couple of changes to solve the problem. First, we can make the self-responsible choice to take in our birdfeeders in the spring and early summer when young male bears are seeking new territories instead of blaming the bears. Secondly, we might also take a good look at our hunting practices.

Each year almost half the bears taken during the three-month fall hunt are females according to the statistics of the IFW (Inland Fisheries and Wildlife). For example, in 2007 1,582 male bears were harvested (killed) in the state of Maine as were 1,265 female bears. How many of those female bears had young cubs that were left to fend for themselves before they had the skills necessary for survival? If we were willing to change the law to protect the females with cubs/yearlings we might have fewer problems with bears raiding feeders.

Our bears are a precious natural resource, "the spirit of the wild" for some, and hunting them during the fall season brings satisfaction to many as well as helping our economy. Please, let's do whatever we can to reduce conflict between bears and humans, not escalate it.

Greenwood

### JOHN FOSTER PROVIDES FURTHER DETAIL

### To the Editor:

I estimated the weight of the bear at about 150 pounds. Definitely more than 50 pounds. When we discovered him on the deck, I took the pictures that I sent and then tried to shoo him

(or her, I don't know which) away. It would look at us and start climbing down from the deck. Then it would change its gaze from

us to the feeder and climb back up. We finally got it off the deck, but it walked around to another feeder near the house and started climbing after that feeder. I threw firecrackers near it, and even that wouldn't chase it away. I finally made enough noise

that it went into the woods behind our house. However, a few minutes later, it was back climbing up the deck again. That's when I got the shotgun out. We managed to scare it off the deck again, but it was walking back and forth just enough to stay

out of our way. The next time that it started to come up the deck, I discharged the shotgun, and it ran into the

woods. The next day it was back. I wasn't home so my wife went out to chase it. That didn't work, so the neighbors brought their dogs down and the dogs chased it up a tree. We left on vacation the next day. When we came back, it had apparently moved on, as we haven't seen it since.

We enjoy wildlife and the bear encounter was a joy for a while. However, a bear as large as it was, with absolutely no fear of humans, made us quite nervous.

It also destroyed three feeders and would have wrecked more if we hadn't chased it away. It was obviously extremely hungry, and I feel for it, but as unafraid as it was, and with only

glass between it and us, I feel the shotgun scare was justified.

Andover

### MOLLYOCKETT DAY THANKS

### To the Editor:

The Mahoosuc Arts Council did a tremendous job with Mollyockett Day this past weekend and the Bethel Area Chamber would like to thank them for continuing to include our three events in the day's overall schedule of events.

We have many businesses and individuals to thank for helping us to make our three fundraisers that day a success. The 16th annual Great Duck Race thanks can be found in an advertisement "thank-you" elsewhere in this newspaper.

The Mollyockett Day Classic Road Races and Walking Event were presented by Kennett Realty, owners Ed and Mary Jo Kennett, and Michael T. Steven and Assoc., owners Mike and Meg Steven. Many thanks to them for their incredible support. Additional sponsorship thanks is extended to Pepsi Bottling Group, Bennett Automotive, All Doyles Cleaning/Harvest Carpentry, NTL Institute, and All Sports Events.

Prizes and raffle gifts were provided to many of the race participants, thanks to Mt. Abram Resort, True North Adventureware, S.S. Milton, Bethel's Best Pizza Grille & Dairy Bar, Maine Mineralogy Expeditions, Casablanca Cinema 4, Bethel Bicycle, Mouse and Bean, Ellie's Gym, Sunday River Resort, Community Energy, and Sunday River Inn Cross Country Ski Center. Refreshments following the event were compliments of Pepsi Bottling Group and Conant

Meats and Produce. Thanks to all of these companies. Volunteers for both the race and the lobster roll booth were an integral part of the success of

these events.

Thanks to the following individuals: Dave Freiday, Doug and Matt Zinchuk, Nancy White, Lynn Kulik, Lynn Saxton, Sharon Haendel, Read Dickinson, Shirley and Bruce Powell, Bob and Joan Westfall, Cathy Lane, Peter MacGregor, Jim Reuter, Ed Kennett, Nancy Babcock, Michele Perejda, Paula Gillies, Joyce Roma, the Goldberg family, Susan Isham, Gary Coyne, Scott and Cheryl Mills, Pat McCartney, Elise Caswell, Fred Nolte, Barb and Bob Dion, Al Cressy, JoAnne Best, Chris and Danica Garner, Chuck Scheffreen, Colleen Files, Lynn Wilson, and Su-

Mollyockett Day is a long-standing tradition for all of us who live here in the Bethel area and a wonderful community festival to share with our visitors. Thanks to all who help to make the day a special one.

Robin Zinchuk Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

10 years ago: Lightning caused a fire that seriously damaged the home of John and Fumi Head on Vernon Street.

Hanover voters accepted the donation of a house on the Ferry Road from the Mead Corporation.

The garage in front of the Whitman Memorial Library in Bryant Pond had been removed.

Births: Lindsey Michaela Sierra Destiny Roberts, Abigail Rose Ryerson, Jackson.

Deaths: Vivian M. Violette, E. Louise Lincoln. 20 years ago: The Bethel

Inn Country Club opened its new 18-hole championship golf course.

Bethel native Brian Stowell was selected as the town's new police chief, replacing Eric Wight who had resigned in May.

Vicki Rackliffe, treasurer of the Mahoosuc Arts Council. was elected to Maine Arts Sponsors Association's Steering Committee.

Births: Whitney Elizabeth James, Matthias Kristopher Cook.

Deaths: Hazel M. Ferguson, Noyes D. "Mike" Shirley, Donald L. Brown.

30 years ago: Melanie Swan of Locke Mills was Miss Mollyockett for 1979.

The historic Lower Sunday River schoolhouse was open to visitors Saturdays and Sundays during the summer.

Chief Robert Stearns, Phil Coolidge, and Joyce Stearns of the Bethel Police Department completed training emergency medical care. Birth: Eva Ruth Paul.

Death: Carroll E. Valentine. 40 years ago: Bruce Bailey was cutting the hay on the Morrison place in Ketchum.

The Gould Academy Class of 1934 held their 35th reunion at the cottage of Mr. and Mrs. Elden Hathaway on Lake Christopher.

Ernest Angevine presented John Swasey, George Olson, Ben Kellogg, and Philippe Rolfe the J. A. Bombardier Public Service Award for snowmobile assistance during the heavy snows of February 1969.

Births:LisaJoyMacKenney, Jennifer Lauren Packard. Deaths: Pearl W. Swan, Sherburn E. Stinneford.

50 years ago: Dr. John Young of Jonesport began practicing medicine in the Dr. Boynton residence on Paradise Street.

The Bethel Town Team (baseball) was tied with Dixfield for the top spot in the Pine Tree League.

Bennett's Garage applied for a Junk Yard License to maintain a junkyard on U.S. Route 2 near Swan's Corner.

Deaths: Mrs. Carrie Frost French, Mrs. Alice Bolster Brooks.

60 years ago: The Bethel School Survey Committee considered costs of reopening rural schools. It was decided to visit some of the recently completed elementary school buildings in other towns in this part of the state.

At a special Town Meeting it was voted to accept a ten-year lease of land near Lover's Lane from Gould Academy to be used as a recreational field or playground.

Miss Marion Stallwood, instructor at Gould Academy, was making plans to leave for physical education work for the army in Japan.

Mrs. Jason Smith, Vernon Street, was seriously injured when run over by a tractor. Mrs. Smith slipped from the tractor when attempting to apply the brake. Death: Emery Blake.

70 years ago: The Oxford County Council of the American Legion held their annual field day at Littlefield's Beach with about

and friends present. Mr. and Mrs. Asa Bartlett moved to the Hapgood Farm on the Songo Road.

150 members with families

Death: Mrs. Irvin Green. 100 years ago: Many in West Bethel were upset that Mrs. Burbank was unable to

perform at Bells Hall with her

Marriage: Rupert Coffin and Edith Farwell.

husband due to illness.

### MEETING ON TELSTAR ADDITION

SAD44 has been granted a unique opportunity to enrich the lives of our students, our communities and our businesses.

Forty-two million dollars in federal monies were awarded to Maine; of that amount, SAD44 has been approved for a five-million-sdollar interest-free loan.

A public meeting is scheduled for July 29, 7 p.m. at Telstar to explain the details of this project which include a second gym and a performing-arts theatre.

I encourage all to attend this meeting. Come, hear the details and express your views.

Roberta Taylor School Board, SAD44

### LOOK FORWARD TO A GOOD SHOW

To the Editor:

The Bethel Performing Arts Project would like to thank the Bethel Community Players and its cast of local talent who have signed on to perform in our Aug. 8 production of the porch play, "When the Parade Came By Our House Every Year About This Time We would Gather On The Porch."

The play will take place on Saturday afternoon, Aug. 8, as part of Sudbury Canada Days. The play will move from porch to porch every 45 minutes, starting at the bottom of Main Street at 1:30 p.m. and ending on Broad Street at 4:30. We think you will be very surprised by the variety of faces you will see on these porches as they bring their talents to a slightly different "stage."

We would also like to thank those who have volunteered their time to help us with a variety of tasks that need to be done in order for this project to take place.

This is the fifth production in less than a year that the Project has been a partner in. We hope to continue our mission of providing affordable, local entertainment for years to come, and we sincerely appreciate your interest, support, and coming out to enjoy the show! It's wonderful to see the community come out to watch their friends and neighbors perform.

We are excited that area businesses, who our projects are meant to support, will use this unique opportunity to promote their businesses and share their own histories with the audience as it meanders in their doors. We thank them for being a vital part of our town and this event, and we welcome their participation and contribution.

We are looking forward to putting on a good show and there's every indication this one will be nothing short of "different," and fun, lots of fun. We hope to see you on the street, and maybe, sometime in the not-so-distant future, we could present the play "When The Big Show Came To Town We Would Gather In The New Theater.'

> Ross Timberlake and Lynn Arizzi Co-volunteer coordinators, Bethel Performing Arts Project

### **GOLF CHALLENGE THANKS**

To the Editor:

The 14th Annual Bethel Rotary Golf Challenge held on Monday, June 15, at the Bethel Inn Resort was a success. This tournament would not be possible without the strong support of our sponsors. Many of them are longtime supporters of our club's efforts and we are grateful. We encourage everyone to let these , sponsors know their efforts are appreciated by supporting their businesses as they have supported our community.

Thank you to all who participated by playing in the tournament and to those who volunteered to help our tournament run smoothly. We couldn't have done it without you.

We would like to thank the following sponsors -Tournament sponsors: Norway Savings Bank (title sponsor); . Northeast Bank FSB (Luncheon Sponsor); Western Maine Insurance (Hole-in-One-Contest); Wild River Realty (Hole-in-One-

Team sponsors: Bethel Station Chiropractic Office; Good Food Store; Liam's Restaurant; and Pat Roma Builder.

Tee sponsors: Bob's BBQ; Bethel Citizen; Bethel Family Health Center; Bethel Station Chiropractic Office; Bruce Lilly Building Contractor; Jack Deitermeyer; Doyon Septic Services; Dream Realty; Flanders Electric; Kelly O. Newkirk, CPA; Michael T. Steven & Associates, Inc.; River View Resort; Stony Brook Recreation; Swasey Excavation, Inc. The Sudbury Inn: The Victoria Inn; and Zinchuk and Sons.

Raffle and donations: Ambiance Day Spa; BBQ Bob's; Bethel Animal Hospital; Bethel Inn Resort; Cho-Sun Restauarant and Emporium; Good Food Store; Gringo Harry's; Jade's Salon; Mark Mallory, golf pro Bethel Inn Resort; Mike Steven, Attorney-at-Law; Mt. Mann Jewelers; Norway Savings Bank; River View Resort; Rostay The Inn and Quilt Shop; The Sudbury Inn; The McLaughlin Foundation; and The Victoria Inn.

Special thanks to Christine Liberti and Rosemary Labin for helping in the tournament as Friends of Rotary. Kudos to Read Dickinson who spent a cold and rainy day taking photos of the

Lastly, we wish to give a special thanks to Dick Rasor, Mark Mallory, Lynn Wilson and the rest of the staff of the Bethel Inn Resort.

> Pat Roma Chairman, Bethel Rotary Golf Committee Chairman

# TOWN MANAGER RECEPTION

To the Editor:

Just a quick note to invite anyone interested to attend a public reception honoring Jim Doar as he begins his tenure as town manager of Bethel. It will be held on Sunday, Aug. 2, in the meeting room of the Dr. Moses Mason House on Broad Street from 2

This reception will offer an opportunity to meet Jim and his family and welcome them to Bethel.

Stan Howe

### State OKs THS gym/theater project

**BETHEL**—A project to build a \$5 million theater and second gymnasium at Telstar High School has received approval by the Maine State Board of Education for a 0 percent interest loan, using federal stimulus money available to the state, Supt. Dave Murphy said Monday. The approval does not obligate SAD44 to pursue the plan. A public hearing to gauge local interest in it will take place July 29 at 7 p.m. at Telstar. If residents express sufficient support, a formal local referendum on the proposal would likely take place this fall, Murphy said.

### Learned named to Chef Hall of Fame

ANDOVER-Phil Learned of Andover was recently named to the 2009 Culinary Hall of Fame of the American Academy of Chefs at a national convention in Orlando, Fla., according to information provided by AAC. From 1966 to his retirement in 2005, Learned served in several capacities at The Balsams Grand Resort Hotel in Dixville Notch, N.H., including executive chef, director of food services, and managing partner of the resort. The first certified executive chef in New Hampshire, Learned also established the first American Culinary Federation apprenticeship program in the state in 1978, at The Balsams. He devoted his career to the education of the next generation of culinary professionals and to elevating the standards of the industry, according to AAC. Prior to his own career, he served in the military for six years.

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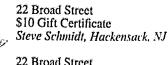
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### Landing

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That fishing, Freda said, includes, "all the major species of trout — rainbows, browns, brookies, as well as smallmouth bass.'

And, he added, "few and far between, landlocked salmon." The stretch of river Fre-

da refers to begins at Davis Park in Bethel and ends 11 miles downstream, at another launch behind the town office in Hanover.

Prior to last weekend, when the Moran's Landing launch became available, drift boaters could already put in at Davis Park, but that 11 miles to the first available downstream take-out point was just too long for a single day's fishing.

Drift boats are non-motorized, and spend much of their time on the river anchored or tied up near attractive fishing spots along the way.

As a result, said Freda, "four or five miles is a good day."

And now drift-boat fishermen have a put-in/take-out spot halfway along the 11mile route, dividing it into two sections of ideal length for a day on the river.

Freda said the new launch would never have been possible without a collaborative effort by many individuals and groups.

He credited especially Jeff Stern, of the Oxford County Soil and Water Conservation District, who handled the necessary permitting; and Ferg Lea, of the Androscoggin River Watershed Council, who served as project engineer.

Other organizations active in the project included the Upper Andro. Anglers Alliance, the Maine Department of Conservation (which contributed the concrete slabs).

Individual and business contributors included Chadbourne Tree Farms (gravel), Cross Excavation (trucking), Swazey Construction (loader), Environmental Projects Inc. (equipment and labor), and Sun Valley Sports (telephone poles, hay and labor).

Lea estimates that the project will end up costing approximately \$3,000.

Had it not been for the various contributions, he said, the price would have been

### **Tornado**

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TWISTER DAMAGE—A confirmed tornado touched down Saturday in East Bethel. Here, Bekah (Photo: Jason Coolidge) Howe and her nephew, Dylan Bouchard, inspect some of the damage.

looked like smoke," John said. "I said, 'It's not smoke. That looks like a wind devil.' It was spiraling up into the bottom of a black cloud."

As they watched, they could see what at first looked like turkey vultures circling beneath it, and realized they were tree limbs.

"We could hear the rushing, roaring," said John. "It was quit dramatic.'

East Bethel columnist Nancy Mercer also provides description of the storm's effects (Page 6).

The Citizen's Hanover columnist, Clem Worcester, wrote Monday that the Top Hat Road in Hanover was closed because of a tree across the road.

The storm also crossed Route 2, he said, "and broke off trees near Stearns Hill Lane before dissipating on Howard Mountain. Another funnel cloud formed near Hanover Village

and passed off to the north before breaking up. A third funnel cloud formed just east of Hanover and passed easterly over Rumford Corner."

Worcester also noted a video, recorded by a passing motorist, of the first funnel developing appears on You Tube. (Search "Western Maine Funnel Cloud" on You Tube.).

On Monday, Howe notified the National Weather Service in Gray, which sent a meteorologist to investigate.

The conclusion: a tornado with estimated wind speed of 80 miles per hour touched down on the north side of Farwell Mountain at about 7 p.m., then moved east northeast for about 1.3 miles down the mountain and across farm fields. The maximum path width was about 100 vards.

It was the fifth confirmed tornado in Maine this year. The others were in northern or eastern Maine.

### Recall

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spoken. Ms. Merrow and her supporters did a great job on combating the efforts in the recall and I commend them.

"I personally had a couple of issues the way Ms. Merrow had said, done and handled things in the past. It is now over and done with.

"I just hope everybody can do the same and just put this to bed. We don't need any more finger pointing (from either side). What was done in the past is over with.

"Let's try to get everybody involved, not just one person or a select few, as we all have some good ideas on how to help out with the decisions on what is best for the town as a whole.

"Andover needs to get back to its roots where everybody helps out each other, where people talk to each other, where decisions are made at Town Meeting, not in the streets, at a place of business or by one person.

"All of Andover needs to come together, especially in these trying times. It is time to move forward for the benefit of the Town of Andover, especially with the way the economy is today.

And from Merrow: "I want to thank everyone for coming out to vote. This sends a clear message that the community

is moving forward. "Now, I am happy to refocus on my full-time job, prepare for Olde Home Days, continue to help a new restaurant open in the old Addie's location on Main Street.

"And, next week, Trudy, Keith and I will be working on the tax commitment."

**Board business** A regular selectmen's meeting took place Tuesday evening. Among business items,

as reported by Merrow: Fire Chief Rob Dixon reported that the Andover Water District completed installation of a new water line in the fire station.

Road Commissioner Marshall Meisner reported that a new spigot was installed at the cemetery.

Additional damage has been discovered during the clock tower repair, and the project will exceed the contractor's original bid.

Next week's selectmen's workshop will take place on Wednesday, July 29 from 3 to

### Mining

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other collectors, including long-term loans of important specimens from museums, such as the American Museum of Natural History, if the museum in Bethel becomes a reality.

But, Stifler said, many collectors are elderly and the window of opportunity for acquiring their collections is narrowing.

"We hope people will come to the lecture and hear Carl explain why working together to preserve Maine's mineral history is important," he said. "Oxford County is one of the prime areas in the world for many minerals.'

A museum, he said, would attract many people to the area.

The lecture will begin at 2 p.m. in the meeting room of the Dr. Moses Mason House (14 Broad Street, Bethel)

Following the presentation, there will be an opportunity to visit the nearby Bumpus Mine in Albany, acquired by Stifler in 2005 and re-opened to the public for guided tours.

Further information about the lecture may be obtained by calling Jim Dock at 824-

### Triathlon

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country trail off the Grover Hill Road. They return to Gould for the finish.

This year, there will be changes in the cycling and running legs.

Racers bicycling down Route 5 will proceed directly to Vernon Street. And instead of the bicycle stop at Gould, they will continue to Route 5 at Lover's Lane and head south again, completing a circle at Songo.

The running leg will then circle Songo Pond itself. Competitors head south

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on Route 5, turning left at South Shore Lane, to Morning Star Lane and then Baker Road. They come out again on Route 5, finishing at the Lake House.

By beginning and ending the triathlon at the same location, the overall event is streamlined, according to Robin Zinchuk, executive director of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce.

"By changing to one transition, the chamber believes it will be an easier event for the participants and their

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families to negotiate," she said. "It will also be simpler for the chamber and our timers to facilitate. We believe it will be an overall improvement for all."

The new plan will also change the lengths of the cycling and running legs.

The biking portion, instead of being 15.5 miles, will be 14.9. The run distance will increase from 3.1 miles to 3.6.

For more on the triathlon, go to www.bethelmaine.com, click on August Calendar of Events, or call 824-2282.

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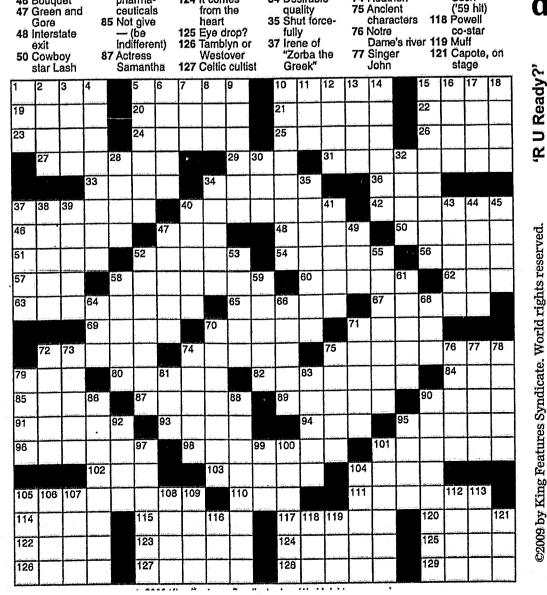
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### From the Bethel Police Log:

Tuesday, July 21

At 8:42 a.m. Chief Alan Carr took a report of phone fraud. The complainant said she had received a call from a subject stating he was with a bank. He said she had a new account number, and if she would call a number given to her, the bank would place \$18 million in the account.

At 11:15 a.m. Chief Alan Carr took a report at the P.D. of aggravated assault for an incident on Summer Street.

### Monday, July 20

At 1 p.m. Chief Alan Carr responded to a Walkers Mills Road business for a report of theft. Over the weekend someone had stolen converters from five car engines, with an estimated value of \$6,000.

### Sunday, July 19

At 3:33 a.m. Officer Michael Grenier responded to the Mayville Road and arrested Arkadiusz P. Gruszka, 31, for disorderly conduct.

At 5:25 a.m. Officer Michael Grenier responded to the Walkers Mills Road and arrested Joshua J. Hamel, 25, for domestic assault. A male subject was taken to the hospital.

At 12:30 a.m. Officers Michael Grenier and Jason Goff responded to Summer Street for an unwanted subject outside a business. On arrival there were 50 to 60 people outside yelling and screaming. The officers separated the crowd. The business owner said a subject had started a fight inside and had been asked to leave but did not, staying outside and arguing with others. He was told to leave.

At 12:50 a.m. Officer Michael Grenier responded to Spring Street for a report of a loud party with underage drinking. Alden C. Rogers, 19, was summonsed for illegal possession of alcohol by a minor. The apartment caretaker, Samual J. Rains, 25, was summonsed for furnishing a place for minors to consume/possess liquor.

### Saturday, July 18

At 7:46 p.m. Officer Jason Goff responded to the East Bethel Road for a report of a civil dispute. The subjects were ordered to have no contact with each other and to seek protection paperwork.

### Friday, July 17

At 1:08 p.m. Officer Jason Goff responded to Milton Township for a report of an ATV crash. The victim was lying on the front steps of his home, on the Milton/Bethel town line. Rescue took the subject to the hospital.

### State Police Report Highlights:

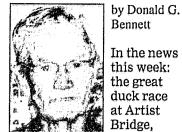
(Bethel region) July 13-20

Tr. Fillebrown responded to an assault complaint in Stoneham. A male subject was charged with DV assault, DV criminal threatening and violation of a protection order.

Tr. Casey responded to a domestic on Route 5 in Andover. A female was arrested and charged with DV assault.

Tr. Casey responded to a domestic on the North Road in Gilead. A male subject was arrested and charged with criminal mischief, theft and violation of conditions of release.

### Bethel



In the news this week: the great duck race at Artist

M o 1 1 y Ockett Day parade, Northern Forest exhibit on Broad Street, Marshall Hastings logging on Old Spec, home improvement, Bethel Inn news, Charles Kellogg, the Wight Camps and Step Falls.

The 16th Great Duck Race, a Molly Ockett Day classic, drew a crowd of about 250 people to Artist Bridge. The river was at its seasonal normal level and warm enough for at least the natives to wade in for handling race setup, duck launch and duck collection. Sunshine even made the afternoon feel like real summer on vacation, Racing ducks hit the water nearly on time slightly after 5:30 p.m. As volunteers collected the ducks, the judges, Robin Zinchuk and Sue Driscoll, sequestered themselves to figure out who won. Thirty prizes in all were handed out. Sorry but you will have to call the Chamber to find out who won.

This year's Main Street parade had a Go Green theme for parade floats. Besides the floats, two standout parade entertainers were Tracy from the Funky Red Barn dressed like Professor Fate, the evil character from the 1960s movie, "The Great Race" and Benton Shattenberg on stilts — part of the Oxford County Democrats' parade contingent.

Friends' Bailev and alternative energy float must have made all the parade watchers' day — it featured a windmill-propelled truck, a tandem bike rigged to a spinning outdoor clothesline drying clothes, and as a final punch line, a live action hottub heated with methane gas. Not their youngsters. sure where the gas came from but it looked like an outhouse me. Bethel Outdoor Adventure took second place in the float judging.

After a weather-threatening morning, all involved with this year's event must have been overjoyed at the sun coming out for the rest of the day. The Mahoosuc Art Council was this year's Molly Ockett Day organizer. After the parade, a crowd of well over 2.000 flooded into the common where the big day's bazaar housed every imaginable vendor and advocacy group.

Forest Products' Ways of the Woods set up a gigantic display on Broad Street in front of the Moses Mason House. Static displays included scenes from Brown Company papermaking, logging, railroad action and logging scenes from the deep woods forests. Having the display come as part the day's events recalled the Molly Ockett Days of the late 1970s when the feature event of the afternoon was chainsaw competion. Some of the names I remember are Jeff Fleet, Sam Chapman and Don Feeney plus many others. Home improvement news:

The Bethel Historical Society is having an Americans-withdisabilities access ramp and bathroom installed at their Robinson House on Broad Street.

Betsey Foster has completed the renovations on the inside of her mother's house on the Mayville Road and has now, when weather allows, begun painting the outside. She said it is now ready to be rented, and she is looking for a good tenant. The rent is \$565 a month with a lease. If interested, she can be reached at 875-2426.

Bethel Inn News: The Fournier parties who had reserved two rooms were here from Summit, N.J.; July is a busy month for the inn with "camper families" arriving to visit camps, drop off or pickup

The Hentz party from Dover, Mass., who have stayed at the inn before had returned for the weekend.

NTL opened a lab session with about 20 people meeting in the Conference Center.

Part two of On Top of Old

Spec 50 years ago: Another great lumbering name to remember was brought up in Eric Wight's article in the course of telling about logging spruce on the side of Old Spec; he was Marshall Hastings. Everyone in Bethel knows of the Gideon Hastings House, a prominent Broad Street address. However, Marshall Hastings was the last member of this famous Bethel lumbering family to have lived there. Marshall died in 1958 but he had earned the distinction while working as a logging contractor for the Brown Company of delivering 27,000 cords in one year, the largest contract ever fulfilled by a single individual at that time. His achievement came in the late 1920s well before the days of chainsaws and the forest-harvesting mechanization we see today. He worked with his father from 1900 to 1914 as a partner in the Hastings, Maine lumber and wood alcohol enterprise on Wild River where he had the privilege of living in one of the "ten commandants" company homes for resident employees. And this week your Mayville

News reporter enjoyed a very busy time chasing history in North Newry. This all had to do with a name from the past Charles Kellogg and his

North Newry camps built by Kellogg for those who wished to enjoy remoteness, natural surroundings, hiking and really fresh-water swimming for their vacations. Kellogg originally came

California, a town about 100 miles NE of Sacramento, and had the very unusual vocal ability to sing like a bird so he became known as the Bird Man. Starting around 1900 as a regular summer guest at Poplar Tavern, he got the idea of building camps for nature lovers near Wight Brook. He also had the reputation of being a performer and lecturer in that era's vaudeville circuit

in 1906 he lectured in Bethel at Odeon Hall where he received a rave review in the Bethel News. Bits and pieces of his story here are still being pried out of history's woodwork, but some of his camps still exist and are used pretty much as he intended.

In 1962 part of his naturalist Wight Brook territory was acquired by the Nature Conservancy as their first project in Maine -- we know of it today as Step Falls on Wight Brook located at the gateway to Grafton Notch State Park. The land he had originally purchased from the Wight family was repurchased by Fred Wight in 1922. The camps were advertised as Wight's Brook Camps in the Bear River Valley. When talking with Loretta Powers about the camps on Monday, she discovered that she had lived in one of the Kellogg camps after it had been moved (in 1939) to the Bear River Road. (It was next to the home Archie and "Sis" Post built in 1972.) The Posts' owned one of the Kellogg camps in its original setting.

Next week: Step hydro power circa 1910, a fire watcher's life on Old Spec and a tour of Steam Mill Antiques, plus the local drama effort of Williams Bingham and Upson.

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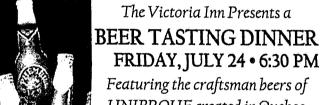
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### West Bethel



Lorrie Hoeh Summer came on a weekend! Although Mollyockett Day started

out on the cool, drizzly side, the skies dried up by mid-morning, and were clear and sunny by noon. Those who participated in the one-mile and fivemile runs, as well as those who did the three-mile walk, were grateful for lower temperatures and dampness that kept them comfortable.

It was delightful to see so many youngsters turn out for the shorter race. Some of them, accompanied by an "older person," looked to be as young as two, while some of the others will be in the longer race next year. All acquitted themselves very well. Shortly after their return, the five-milers and walkers set out. They, too, did themselves proud. I expect that the final results will be printed elsewhere in this paper, so I'll spare you. I will say, however, that our grandchildren, Andrew and Molly Siegel; and their father, Kirk Siegel, all raced and did right well.

Friday and Saturday evenings were the last two piano recitals of this year's "Music Without Borders" at Gould Academy's Trustees Auditorium. Saturday was the grand finale, with all six students present week that performing, and with presentations of certificates by their teacher, Tamara Poddubnaya. The performances were breathtaking, and the rafters rung with their amazing music. Can't wait for next year!

REPAIRS

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of people in the last week or two about the hummingbird population, or lack thereof, this year. Mike and I have seen only one male at any given time on our feeder, and suspect that he is a loner. We've seen no females. Others report similar situations. I talked to Betsey Foster at the recital, however, and she reports that she has had a normal hummingbird population, I'd be interested in hearing from others of you.

Betsey lives right on a lake and has had the pleasure of watching a pair of loons hatch two chicks and swim about with them on their backs. She has also sighted other water or wading birds and assorted varieties of wildlife.

From Deb Doyle at All Doyles Services comes the following request:

"Hey everybody, The Doyles need egg cartons ... we will pick them up if you have them (even if it's just a few) or if you're driving by, you can leave them at the Little House at the edge of our parking lot at 602 W. Bethel Road. We love being in the egg business! Thanks so much for your help.

for recycling, The Doyles"

Mike's Saturday was birthday (79!), and we celebrated a bit belatedly on Sunday afternoon, Cousins Eric and Lucia Schwarz; and Martha, Kirk, Molly, and Andrew Siegel joined us on the deck for birthday cake and lemonade. It was one of the first times we've been tempted to sit out there this summer (what summer?), so it was a special treat. Mike blew out his candles in one puff, so his wish will come true. Wonder what it was?

Tonight is the Pleasant Valley Grange's monthly meeting. It will start at 6 with potluck supper, to be followed forget that the Grange's flea market is open every Friday and Saturday until Labor Day,

Just 10 cents in returnables this week; maybe people are wising up and becoming more responsible — and thrifty.

Tell me about your birds, wildlife, and gardens. You can reach me at dhoeh@megalink. net or 836-3011.

### East Bethel



Nancy Mercer Mona and Earl Coolidge visited Denise and Joel Jackson and daughter, Jay-

lee, in Londonderry, N.H., on July 11 and 12. SWOAM will meet at Alvin

Stevens place on Aug. 22. I am not sure of the times; he will give me that info later. People think we may have

had a tornado up near Celeste Keith's home on July 18 in the late afternoon. Whatever it was took out two big pine trees across the road from her home. Amos Kimball and John Coolidge cut them up and removed them from the road. Some younger people went down on the interval where some large maples had been uprooted and a path cut through a corn patch. Another neighbor said there was a roar of air at the time of whatever it was.

Susan Wight witnessed the tornado and got it on video on Saturday, the 18th.

The Model A made it to the parade. It did not rain on the parade in Bethel and was clear in the afternoon. I was in Harrison and there was no rain there.

Maybe summer is coming. This week there will be show-

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no steady rains like we have had.

If you have any news, give me a ring at 824-3350. God Bless the Troops.

### Gileaa



Lin Chapman The baby birds are coming to the feeder with their parents now. We have

a family of Rose-breasted Grosbeaks that come several times a day. The parents take turns feeding the "little one," who is as big as they are. The baby starts "whistling" early in the morning and does not quiet down all day. There was also a family of Blue Jays and the baby had not quite got his voice mastered yet, so he sounded quite raspy.

My brother, Steve McLain, came home from work the other day and discovered the tracks of a moose. The moose had gone across his driveway

and through the yard. The other night I went to close the front door around 9:30 p.m. and noticed something moving on the step, so I turned on the light. It was a family of skunks! There were five little ones and they stayed so close to their mother, it looked like one big skunk. They made a squealing noise as they followed her around.

This past weekend Hugh and I went to North Conway to check out the Gem Show that was sponsored by the Saco Valley Mineral Club. There were three vendors set up there that participate at the Gem Show in Bethel, so we visited with them. We then ran into Bob and Debra Withee, who are members of the Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association.

On Wednesday, July 15, Jamie and Alicia McLean took their kids, Morgan, Tanner and Brandon, to Fort Fairfield for a surprise visit to see the kids' grandparents, Wayne and Linda Taylor. Within 45 minutes of arriving, Linda was giving them a tour of the town. They saw the fort, the cannon, the library and Wayne's jobsite. That night Wayne, Linda and Alicia went to Bingo, unfortunately winning nothing, but it was

I have talked with a number by the business meeting. Don't ers and the temps will be up — fun. Jamie, Alicia and the kids stayed in Caribou that night. Thursday morning, Linda took them to see the Antique Tractor display and then went to the mall in Presque Isle. After lunch at Wayne and Linda's apartment, they had to say their goodbyes for the long ride home. The kids had a great time seeing where Wayne and Linda have "been all this time" and were happy to see that Nana and Hada didn't live in a fort! Wayne and Linda were surprised and glad to see them all.

Gilead Historical Society Jean Corriveau of Lewiston recently sent a request for the books that have been published by the GHS. She was a Gilead resident quite a few years ago. We mailed them out and just received a nice thank you note that she was enjoying them and likes reading about Gilead in the Bethel Citizen. We will keep her informed if there are any further publications.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.

### Hanover



by Clem Worcester On July 9 **Bob Susbury** gave a very interesting description

about the lake

watermonitoring program in Maine. A number of interested people stopped by to hear the discussion and try out the computer demonstration at the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library. Bob has been the water monitor for Howard Pond for 35 years and checks the water clarity at the deepest part of the pond every other week when it is not iced over.

The Rumford Grange 115 Fishing Derby will be Aug. 1 at the Upper West Ellis Fire Pond on the Ellis River Road (Route 5). The starting time is 9 a.m. for boys and girls who are 12 and under who have one of the 50 tickets sold on a firstcome basis. An adult must accompany each child and each ticket costs \$20. There will be a prize drawn every 30 minutes. Each child will get two brook trout to catch and take home. The biggest fish caught will get a \$100 prize. Other prizes will be awarded according to the length of fish. caught. Food will be available and no alcoholic beverages will be allowed on site. For tickets or more information call Joe at 470-7402 or Vicki at 364-2129. This year's event is: sponsored by First Wind.

A weather front passed through the area last Saturday evening touching off some locally violent weather. Motorists traveling along Route 2 from the Mollyockett Day festivities were surprised to come across a natural display of a funnel; cloud. The rotating system generally followed Route 2 and the Androscoggin River. The cloud touched down in several places causing some, damage. Top Hat Road in Hanover was closed due to a; tree across the road and then the storm crossed Route 2 and . broke off trees near Stearns' Hill Lane before dissipating, on Howard Mountain. Another funnel cloud formed near Hanover Village and passed off to the north before breaking up. A third funnel' cloud formed just east of; Hanover and passed easterly; over Rumford Corner. A video is available on You Tube of the first funnel cloud that was recorded by; a passing motorist. After connecting with You Tube type in Western Maine Funnel Cloud. Several years ago, two years apart, tornados touched down in wooded. areas north of Howard Pond; doing considerable damage; to growing timber.

We extend sympathy to Barbara Butler and her family upon the passing of. her husband Freeman on; Monday, July 13, at Rumford; The Hospital. Butlers' residence is on Howard Pond, Road near the pond.

The Maine Department of Environmental Protection advised has Hanover. officials that the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance adopted by Hanover voters in June has been approved by DEP. The effective date for the ordinance is July 14, 2009.

Everyone said that once; the rain stopped and the sun; came out mosquitoes would. be vicious. They were right, the sun came out and the mosquitoes are horrid. They: were wrong; it didn't stop raining, as showers continue to be a daily occurrence most

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by Melinda Averill Hello Andover friends. We are finally rolling right along

with some decent summer weather. The nights are still a little bit on the cool side, but it certainly is great for sleeping.

I would like to send my condolences to Andrea B. Savitz and her husband. Gerry, for the loss of her mother. Alberta Bretz passed away recently in New Jersey.

Wesley Richardson. Philadelphia, Pa., was home for the weekend to visit with his parents, Peg and Joe Madigan and grandparents, Roger and Dot Mills.

Cheerful thoughts to Wilma Holmes, who had surgery on her rotator cuff recently and is recuperating at home.

Also cheerful wishes Jean Cole, who has been recovering at home after heart bypass surgery a couple of months ago.

This Saturday, July 25, Darlene Akers will give another lecture on herbs at Foxgloves and Daisies. It will start at 9 a.m.

A happy belated birthday to Edward Littlehale, last Sunday. He is currently a patient at Ledgeview in West Paris, and would enjoy a late birthday visit from Andover friends. His wife, Madeline, is having a birthday on Friday. Edward's niece, Anita Hensley, is here from Indiana for a visit this summer, and her son, Ronnie Hensley, who is Edward's great-nephew, is also celebrating his birthday this week. He will turn 30 on July 26.

Also celebrating a birthday this week: Jacob Putnam on Sunday, and a Happy Sweet 16 to Sarah Averill on Monday!

Andrea Bretz Savitz, of Andover Service Circle (ASC), wants to remind everyone that two of the Circle's major fundraisers are underway. Orders are being taken for the 2010 Andover Service Circle Community Calendar and donations are being gathered for the 50/50 ASC drawing that is to take place around 2 p.m. Aug. 1 at the ASC booth on the Andover Town Square. Residents might remember that the ASC 50/50 has brought in as much as \$500 to the winner. Both orders for the calendar and donations for the 50/50 drawing can be taken care of at the ASC booth on Andover Olde Home Days, Aug. 1. And all raised money goes directly to assist Andover citizens in

medical need. Further, the Circle members suggest that all those who like competitive walking or running sign on to compete in the ASC's 5th annual Andover Olde Home Days Road Race. scheduled for Saturday Aug.

1. The event's organizer. Anne Marie Mahar, has arranged for last-minute race registrations to take place that morning between 7 and 7:45 a.m. at Andover Elementary School, with the races starting at 8 a.m. Preregistration, however, for a

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Former Andover residents, from the purple house, Polly and Dick Johnston, arrived July 11 for a month's stay. They are living in Washington state. They are glad to be home in Maine! Wednesday they met Polly's aunt's stepdaughter, Kaye Hopkins of Vermont. They had a nice visit. Roger and Dottie Mills were over for supper and shared an angel cake and ice cream for Dick's 80th birthday. Their daughter, Joye Reier, will arrive on Saturday. July 25, for a twoweek visit.

Have a nice weekend.

Newrv



Sylvia Harrington

When Susan and I stopped at the Recycling Center recently she

remarked how neat and organized it was. She lives in Salisbury, Mass., and said the city centers are unkempt probably due to the volume deposited. I, too, think our "keepers" do an excellent job and especially like the new, larger recep-

Last Wednesday, my cousin Claire Marx and I met in Bethel. We were the latest ever to go to the family cemetery in Berlin. Mark wished us a good trip and off we went. The grass was pretty high at the site and very few, if any, other flowers had been left. We went to Northland Dairy for a delicious lunch and did save room for dessert. A little shopping at Wal-Mart got us back to Bethel around 4 p.m., as Claire headed for home in Windham.

Again this week the deer and fawns walked across the property in a different direction with a lone turkey following a short time later. I also saw two turkeys walking across Frank and Bea Lowell's pond area where I turn to drive back to my drive so I can enjoy the view of Sunday River.

Last week, Judy Mazza helped me when I stopped at the What Not Shop in Rumford. I thought I lost something of value and started to get upset. She calmly led me back to the car and there it was! I gave her a warm thanks and hug for her help. I've known Judy for quite a few years when she worked at Community Concepts on the Island in Rum-

Friday morning, I met Lionel Auger in Hanover for coffee and a visit. He was here a

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tend his class reunion form Stephens High School in Rumford. The reunion was at Tina's. His wife, Margaret, is a classmate of mine but was unable to join him. Lionel did fly back to Lakeland on Tuesday.

On Friday, Mark and I had lunch together at his home. We shopped afterward and stopped at the Book Fair, Lots of people were buying books and videos,

Doug is doing a good job painting the Bear River Trading Post. He told me it will all be that maroon color when the job is completed, Lots of goodies to purchase and great coffee for a break - which I take there quite often. Debbie tells me that Claire and Cassidy still have home-grown chickens' eggs for sale at a price of \$3.50 a dozen. The Trading Post is also offering frozen bait and frozen pizza for purchase. The motorcycle riders seem to find the Post a great place to stop for snacks, a rest and to fill the bikes with gas. Give the Post a call at 824-2327 for more information.

### East Andover



Joan Stinson-Carney Olde Home Days is right around the corner.

On Friday evening, July 31, there will be a concert on the town common. On Saturday, Aug. 1, the parade begins at 10 a.m. The float judging will be held at 9:30. There are cash awards for the winners, Two new events this year will be lawn tractor races, a special raffle for a chest of drawers donated by Ethan Allen and a beautiful homemade quilt donated by Merry Damone.

The theme this year is "Olde times and New Times in Andover." Buttons are already on sale in local stores. They have a great picture of the Town Hall Clock. You can also find a list of all the activities at the stores.

On Sunday, Aug. 2, is the Horse Show.

You can now buy your Megabucks and Power Ball tickets at Andover General. The money that you save on gas going to Rumford to buy your tickets can now be used to buy a few extra tickets. Remember if you win big, I get a percentage for giving you this tip. Yeah, I won't hold my breath!

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The Roxbury ATV Club held their Christmas in July run last Saturday, Ninety ATVs were registered to run with over 125 riders. There were a lot of toys and money donated to the services that help kids at Christmas time. Good job, everyone! Channel 7 filmed a documentary that will be shown in about two weeks. See 'ya.

### Upton



Laurie Brown The beautiful

weather Saturday contributed greatly to the success of the

first annual Upton Fun Day. (Just in case it rained, Eric Burnette and Bob Brown built a "tarp" tent at the last minute. Your contribution and hard work was greatly appreciated, gentlemen.)

About 120 folks signed the guest book at the school and enjoyed reminiscing, sharing treasures, checking out the building and ringing the bell. They enjoyed going into the church, the library and the Ladies Aid building, a treat some of them hadn't had for many, many years. Bob Pepler and Charlotte Dominique at the Upton House and Jim and Wilma Rector, on East B Hill, were gracious hosts to the 35-40 people who enjoyed touring their homes, sharing their history and hospitality. The BBQ. bake sale, kids' games, homemade ice cream, fried dough and the Casey's goats were all major attractions. Lots of prizes were given out to the kids. Earl Largesse and Joe Bernier were vying for the horseshoe championship, which Joe won in the end and received his trophy.

At this time, I don't have the winners of the pie baking contest, photo contest, or the floral arrangement contest -

I'll have it by next week.

Lotty Casko drew names for the raffle, Brenda Johnson won the teddy bear, Ellie LeComte won the quilted picture, Barbara Stratton won both the bath and body basket and the afghan, Helena Deroche won the two pillows and Lexie-ann Norman won the quilt!

I regret that I didn't get my apple pandowdy made — next year, maybe.

The Library's sign has been repainted, thanks, Melanie.

It was fun watching a bull moose saunter down the right of way by our cabin. There are reports that there are a lot of bears on Back Street, although we personally haven't seen any signs of them. I think the folks who live further down the road must be feeding them enough so they don't have to venture any further - thanks. We appreciate that!

I'm guessing by next week Bob and I will be grandparents!

Hope you enjoy the beautiful weather! Selah

# Greenwood City



Wayne Hakala

The sun is out of hiding for some unknown

reason. Maybe the Ol' Boy decided we needed just a wee bit o' relief. Don't care what it is; we need it and everyone's garden too. About a month of sunshine will help all a great deal.

As many know, the 25th next Saturday, is the Skunk Run. So all you bikers, big, loud, whiny, and those in between, come out and support the Scholarship in Sandon Morgan's memory. There are plenty of good sights to be seen on the run, wicked good eats to be had at the end too. There is a pig roast, turkey fry, bean hole beans and a whole endless supply of other good things to eat. This is all located at the American Legion Hall on the Gore Road in Locke Mills. Be there or be square.

The little doe on the Greenwood Road is still flirting with me. She has been out there just a prancing around several times lately. Hope she keeps out of harm's

Saturday evening saw a good turnout at the benefit for Lorie Pulsifer. Lorie is recovering from cancer surgery. There were plenty of good things to eat and a wicked good auction. There was plenty to try for and many lost out. But a good auction it was. I was pleased to win two Gift Certificates. One was from Books N Things in Bethel and another from Naples. I see several new books and some wicked good ribs in my future.

Tuesday's Musical Supper went very well. There was a very good crowd in attendance to enjoy the meal and dance to the music. In August the Jones Band will in entertaining the dancers and listeners. Then in September the Country Lads will return to entertain again. So mark those dates on your calendars. And we are talking September already!

As I was driving up the Greenwood Road Friday, I started seeing beer cans alongside the road. The beer cans seemed to be spaced apart on a real regular distance. As I approached the north end of Twitchell Pond, the cans stopped. Set me to wondering what happened. Did the beer drinker run out of beer? Did the beer drinker's trail home get picked up and the beer drinker lose his way? The question goes on unanswered.

And to that Merrill girl from Waterford; there is fresh strawberry pie at the Northland. Nancy served me a wicked good portion today.

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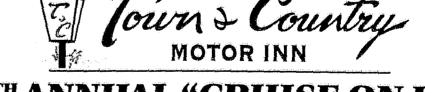
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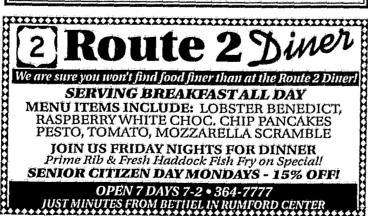
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dead, black walnut tree in her backyard. The tree was leaning toward the house, but I estimated it was not tall enough to quite reach the back patio. Mark had tried to get some local tree removers to take the tree down at an exorbitant price, but they never called back. He was afraid the tree would hit the house even though I told him I could bring it down safely. Since Mark was not at home, due to a family emergency in southern Indiana, I told Cheryl she should let me saw it down before Mark came home!

She agreed, so I got my trusty chainsaw out of the truck, gassed it up and got set to cut. I cut the scarf, angling it somewhat away from the house but leaning heavily on a smaller tree that Mark really wanted to save, but fearing that the walnut would bring down some of 'the smaller tree's branches. As the saw blade neared the back of the scarf, the tree leaned toward the smaller one. I sawed some more, and down it came, right on top of the smaller one; but then it slowly rolled to the right and slipped softly to the ground in a cloud of broken limbs and loose dead bark. The smaller tree was battered and slightly bent, but otherwise unscathed.

The following Monday headed morning we westward to son Dean's place in Colorado. We were happy to see that Dean is doing well with his pacemaker; a recent readout of his heart performance showed minimal irregularities. If this continues, he hopes to be allowed to drive by sometime in August. We were surprised to learn that Colorado is suffering the worst crop of mosquitoes in many years. Mona and I were swarmed unbearably the first time we started to take Snuffy walking. It was the perfect time to test the effectiveness of Listerine mouthwash as a mosquito repellent. A recent e-mail claimed that regular Listerine, sprayed on yourself and the surrounding area would kill mosquitoes , and keep them from biting. We ، Hogwash! covered ourselves with the stuff and were still swarmed! We are



60 KNOTS IN A 45-KNOT ZONE?—It appeared Friday that Bethel Police Chief Alan Carr had Matt Hamel and Matt Newell pulled over for speeding on Route 5. But the young men's boat had slipped off a faulty trailer, running aground in front of Bob and Polly Davis' home at the bottom of Mill Hill. The two Matts had been headed for the Kezar Lakes for a day of fishing. The 1987 boat, branded 'Citation,' sustained some minor damage to the back corner. Here, Hamel (left) and Newell wait for a truck to return with another trailer. Carr jokingly contemplated possible citations, with ideas that included illegal fishing and improper parking. Hamel, a specialist in the U.S. Army, was home on two weeks' leave before returning to Afghanistan.

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From Colorado we headed northwestward to Red Lodge, Mont., where we stopped for a brief visit with Martha Grover, Dan and Nancy's daughter. Martha showed us the gallery where she is working and displaying some of her ceramic creations. She does beautiful work, with many of her objects inspired by the shapes and colorings of orchids! She then took us to the studio, where she and other "intern" ceramic artists develop their creations in a complete woodworking shop and with several types of kilns, including gas fired, electric and even a very large woodburning kiln, which she says makes interesting and unique effects on the pieces glazed in

After Red Lodge, we headed through the mountains and national forests of western Montana to Orofino, Idaho, for a brief visit with niece Lee Pippenger and her husband Paul. The mountains of Montana are always beautiful and awe inspiring, and we always have a fun visit with Lee and Paul, The first day we were intrigued by Paul's dickering with a most unusual vendor. This was a man driving a pickup truck pulling a large, open utility trailer piled high with life-size statues of animals, large and

small, made of recycled cast aluminum and spray painted a dark brown color. They are beautifully done, and Lee and Paul wanted a large elk, a huge brown bear and others to decorate the grounds of some of their business properties. Mona wants me to add that she bought a small buffalo (she loves buffalo) to add to one of her rock gardons at home

her rock gardens at home. Other activities included a few spirited card games and a two and a half hour tubing ride down a piece of the Clearwater River. You should have seen me rowing a pontoon raft pulling three women in inner tubes tethered by ropes to my raft. They, especially Lee, had a knack for pulling the ropes and getting us entangled at the worst time in the rapids! Mona, at age 81, was probably the oldest "tuber" on the river that day! With the outside temperature in the 90s, it was a fun afternoon!

We learned that big sister Verna has moved into Ledgeview Nursing Home for rehab. She says she enjoys having someone else doing the cooking, and the physical therapy people are helping her to exercise so that she is able to get around quite well. She is looking forward to visits by grandson Scott and his wife Susan, as well as other family who will be visiting over the summer.

### **Bryant Pond**



Alice Hoyt
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met at the
Grange Hall
on Monday

evening with seven members present. Helvi Cary filled in as chaplain. The charter was draped for two real daughters Civil War veterans, Florence H. Caston and Eula J. P. Laymance. It was noted after two successful years as Department president Helvi Cary became PDP and Michelle Cary is the new Department of Maine president. She was congratulated and wished a successful two years. Plans for Michelle's reception were discussed.

Next meeting is Sept. 14. No meeting in August as National Convention is in Portland at that time and several plan to attend. The September meeting will be a picnic and flag-rétiring ceremony. Anyone having flags that need to be retired may leave them at Sally Sawyer's or Alice Hoyt's. Twenty-two calls were reported. Helvi Cary received the mystery package.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15 a.m. for all ages, morning worship at 10:30 and evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening is prayer meeting at 6:30. Saturday, July 25, is

Ladies Bible Study at 10 a.m.
The Woodstock-Greenwood
Senior Citizens will hold their
Aug. 6 meeting at the home of
Gordon and Joan Morgan in
Greenwood. There will be a
silent auction. This potluck
so bring whatever you want to

— enough to share.

The Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond, will be holding two more Summer Craft Programs on July 29 and Aug. 5 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. This is for all ages. FMI call 665-2788. Nancy Willard is the

**Historical Society** 

Recently Paul and Vicki Billings watched the Historical Society Museum and had four visitors. At the meeting in the evening Olive Risko reported on Bethel 100 years ago. Curator Larry Billings gave two necklaces to the society.

The Historical Society has numerous books on royalty. There are works on monarchs from Elizabeth I to Queen Victoria to Elizabeth II. In the 20th century there are volumes on Edward VII, George V and Elizabeth. We even have a stray book on Prince Albert, Queen Victoria's husband, and another on Queen Anne. They have many small collectibles. They range from

decorative tins to glassware to individual plates from around the world. They also have many souvenirs from Bryant Pond. Some were actually made in Austria. Also, the postcards they have of Bryant Pond cover literally all aspects of village life. Every local landmark is represented.

Larry Billings recently gave his mother a sterling silver cross to wear, that he got at the Vine and Cupboard.

The Historical Society is sorry to see the Village Store is closed.

Curator Larry has given the society two rare National Geographics.

### Albanv



by
Sheila Dyke
Greetings
and hello
from Albany
Township.
What
beautiful

weather we've had. Yes, yes, I know there were some not so beautiful days, but I'm counting every nice day and ignoring the bad ones.

We accidentally ended up at Mollyockett Day on Saturday (we forgot!). We had gone down to go to the exchange (they were closed, of course) and we noticed all the traffic and folks and thought "Gee, is it Mollyockett Day?"

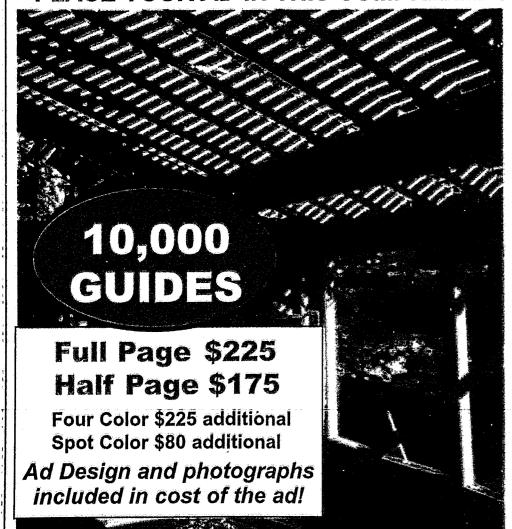
So, after some coercion from Danny, we parked the truck, got a couple of coffees, and settled to watch the parade starting at the lower end of Main Street, Pam and Carlton Rugg, along with Jim and Marie Davis, of the Oxford Redeemed Riders chapter of the Christian Motorcyclist Association, came up the street. Carlton, Jim and Marie rode their bikes, Pam tugged along a little red wagon filled with candy. She nabbed David and he went off to help toss candy out into the crowd. Danny had a ball, too! He really loved the idea of a parade where folks tossed (or in many cases handed) him candy. He had one piece while we were watching, but you would have thought he had more the way he was dancing around, carrying on about the candy. We had a great time watching, and

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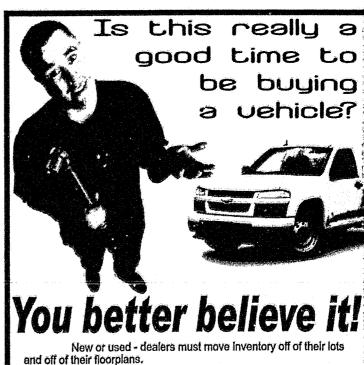
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went home after collecting ., David from Pam.

This Thursday is the next church supper at the Albany Church. Last time drew quite a crowd, according to Pam Rugg. Supper is served at , 5:30, and many times (if there are enough folks waiting) there is a second seating. The food is always good, the service unparalleled, and the company wonderful. We're going to try and make it to at least one supper. The proceeds from the last supper (I believe Pam said in September — I'll double check on that one) will be going toward the Albany

scholarship fund. Now, it was pointed out to us in a very subtle way that when I had last put herein that if anyone had anything they'd like in the column to call, but that I hadn't put our telephone number! I apologize. I had thought we were in the phonebook, but I just checked and we're not. So, if anyone does have something they'd like to see in the Albany column, please give me a call at 824-4890.

Best wishes for a happy and safe week. God Bless and

### **Waterford**



by Rockie Graham

We actually had a touch of summer this week. It was in the 80s sever-

al times. The tomatoes are growing, the potato plants " look good and are flowering. "The zukes, while growing i look odd. They are not normal looking, yet. They are 5 thin with bulge. Are others having the same? We have b several plants and they are all like that. The summer " squash are still not out, yet. My winter squash are nowhere to be seen. We have not done well in this garden h with winter squash. On the r other hand, the berries ripi en and I hope to actually get a few blackberries this year and some blueberries.

: This will be a short column as I need a few tests.

Waterford Library will have a story hour on Friday, the 24th, at 10:30 a.m. It is for

young children. FMI call 583-2050. They will have a magic show on Saturday at 11 a.m. with Dennis Labbe. The magic show is actually at the Wilkins House on Plummer Hill. Donations to the library will be appreciated. Then on Sunday, the 26th, the library will have an open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Conjunction with Music Sunday at Waterford Congregational Church and the Waterford Historical Society. Again FMI call 583-2050.

Next week, not this week, on July 30, Mountain Poets will meet at Fare Share Commons on Main Street in Norway at 7 p.m. This is actually a five-week month. All are welcome. We had a great time at the Norway Arts Festival and hope for more next week. FMI call 743-0583 or 743-9808.

Don't forget the Summer Breakfasts on Wednesdays at the Wilkins House in Waterford. They run from 7:30 to 10 a.m. As I went back to work on Wednesday, I cannot go, but they are great breakfasts and the price is right.

If you get your paper early, the Albany Congo Church will have a supper at 5:30 p.m. The church is on Hunt's Corner Road in Albany. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for under 12. Menu includes baked beans, brown bread, salads, casseroles, rolls, pies and beverages. Sounds like a great deal, especially for our summer visitors.

Speaking of visitors, David's brother's former wife visited on Saturday. She was staying with friends on Jewett Pond. She got to experience her first kayaking adventure. It was great to see her.

This has been a hard month. It is only July 23 and already we have lost several close to us. I lost my mother and my sister's mother within three days of each other last week. They were 90 and 92 respectively. It is the end of an era for both as they were the last of their siblings and all of their generation. Their respective husbands have been gone for years. That is in addition to losing Gwyneth and Gil and others. I hope July does not bring others passing. I believe there will be a service for Gwyneth on the 25th at the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel.

That is all for this week. En-

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joy the long-delayed summer and Phil Whittemore for a few and stay safe, in the water or on the roads.



Joyce Lamb This has been the wettest summer ever. I cannot remember any this bad

and I have been around for many years. Time at the beach has made it seem even worse than it would at home.

At the West Sumner Universalist Church on July 26 the Rev. Scott Jones will be the speaker at the 11 a.m. services. The organist is Beth Chaffee. A coffee hour follows. All are welcome.

Last week, Ann and Fred Goulding hosted a family gathering at the home of Beverly and Vince Stevens with 30 present. All had a wonderful time and managed between the rains.

Natalie Morse and Nathan and Angela Morse spent the weekend with Cynthia Lamb at North Pond. The fishing was good. So they enjoyed a meal of white perch.

Joseph and Micki Lamb and son, Leighton, and Jill Jones of Beverly, England have been visiting with family in Maine. Peggy from Augusta, Jude from Lamoine, and Joyce Lamb of West Paris joined them for a cookout on Sunday.

Jude and Peggy Lamb visited with their mother over the weekend.

Elaine Blossom of North Branford is visiting Jeanne

Muffin has been visiting with the Walton's two cats and has settled in and stopped hissing at them.

Keep the sun shining and the ocean waters warm, and I will try to write again next week.

days,

# <u>Andover</u> Olde Home Days Committee

Old Times and New Times in Andover is the theme of this year's Andover Olde Home Days celebration. Please mark your calendars and join the town in all the festivities that will be taking place starting on July 30. This is when judging for the garden contest will be taking place at 9:30 a.m. Friday, the 31st, there will be music on the Common. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets and make yourself comfortable listening to some good soft rock. The band concert starts at 6:30

All day Saturday, Aug. 1, there will be food vendors, crafts, raffles, karaoke, arm wrestling, a firemen's muster, pie-eating contest, book sale at the library, photo contest, bike and doll carriage parade. Horseshoe tournament, and much more on the common and around town.

The 5th Annual Andover Olde Home Days Road Race to benefit the Andover Service Circle will start at the Andover School at 8 a.m. on Saturday, the 1st. The events are a 4.5mile open road race, a one-mile fun run, and a one-mile open walk. T-shirts guaranteed to those who pre-register before July 21.

In Akers' Field there will be an Antique Classic Car Show from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. This show is sponsored by the Western Maine Street Rods.

The Historical Society will host once again the lovely and famous Flower Show, which will run from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday. Entries will be received between 5:30 to 8 on Friday evening.

There will be lots to do for children of all ages, such as the moon bounce, children's games outside the town hall, children's tractor pull, flycasting contest, and children's barrel rides which will run all day. The barrel rides were a big hit last year and more barrels have been added. New this year will be a lawn tractor obstacle course race taking place at the town garage. And, don't forget the Road Apple Roll taking place behind the tennis courts.

The button pin has a picture of the Town Clock. The clock is celebrating its one-hundredthyear anniversary. Each button will be numbered and the first drawing for prizes will start at 12:30. Angelo Kaltsos, who is also hosting the photography contest, took the picture of the clock. The Town Clock is also the featured picture on the t-shirts being sold by the Andover Olde Home Days Committee.

There will be a coffee, donut, luncheon, and cookie walk starting at 8 a.m. and going until 1 p.m. at the Congregational Church Also, starting at 11 a.m. there is a chicken bar-b-que at the fire

The parade will start at 10 a.m. Judging for the floats will take place at 9:30 a.m. The committee looks forward to seeing the creative ways in which people align their floats to the year's theme.

There will be plenty of parking in Grimaldi Field located just below the church. A special thank you to Sunday River for providing transportation from the lower rec. field to the church parking lot from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. Also, courtesy of Harry and Tammy Hutchinson of Andover, there will be horsedrawn wagon rides around town all day.

On Saturday night there will be a BYOB dance at the Fire Station with music provided by One Step Up. There will also be an All Game Show under the lights at the Ellis River Riders Horse Club field in South Andover. On Sunday, the 2nd, there will be an all-day Open Show at the field in South Andover.

It's a big weekend with a whole lot of things to do for everybody. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Bethel Performing Arts Program

Bethel Community Players are busy rehearsing to launch the new Porch Play, "When the Parade Came By Our House Every Year About This Time We Would Gather On The Porch.'

The play will be performed in five acts on five different porches along Main Street on Saturday, Aug. 8, as part of the Bethel Historical Society's Sudbury Canada Days. The Porch Play will add a new feature to the popular summer heritage festival.

The play will begin on lower Main Street at 1:30 p.m. and proceed up Main Street, stopping at designated porches every 45 minutes. Each act is a play in itself lasting about 20 minutes.

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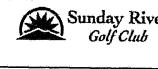
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downtown promote businesses and request that they provide a brief history of their business and locale as well as any specials they would like to feature that day. This will add to the success of the day for all concerned.

Ross Timberlake, author of the Porch Play, said businesses along Main Street will have unique opportunity to collaborate with BPAP by taking advantage of a captive audience. Ross will serve as Town Crier and will guide the audience up Main Street. telling the history of buildings and landmarks along the way. At the same time, local residents and guests will have a chance to learn more about Bethel's rich history as they wander into area businesses where many merchants and innkeepers will discuss the historical nature and unique aspects of their businesses.

Ross is interested in hearing from any business interested in participating in this event. You may call him at 824-6545.

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Oxford Democrats hosted booths at

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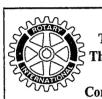
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the Norway Art Fair and at Bethel's Mollyockett Day with an emphasis on Healthcare Reform. Assisting with the Norway event were Roy Gedat and Julie Peterson, Kim Waite and Cathy Newell, as well as Kevin Kramer of the Change that Works campaign, Kramer conducted Healthcare House meetings in late June in Fryeburg at the home of Stefi and Peter Hastings, and also participated in the Ossipee Valley Fair parade with Rep. Helen Rankin.

Rep. Rankin was the July 4 speaker at the Hiram celebration and organized a parade presence on an Education theme. Oxford County Democrats were much in evidence at the Mollyockett Day parade led by Benton Shattenberg on stilts, Participating were John Patrick of Rumford, Cathy Newell of Greenwood, Eileen Broderick of Bethel and her mother, plus Jimmy McHugh of Mexico driving the truck. The weather improved for the activities on the Common and the booth was busy. Staffing were Newell, Patrick, Broderick, Tim and Jodi Carter of Bethel, Nancy Willard of Woodstock, and Emily Ecker of Woodstock.

Upcoming events include lecture and reception featuring Henry Jacoby of MIT, a national expert on Energy Policy. This will be held in South Paris on Friday, Aug. 21, and the Oxford Democrats annual Summer BBQ and Family Fun Day at



7:30 AM Tuesdays at The Bethel Inn Common, Bethel

the University of Maine 4-H Leadership Center in Bryant Pond on Sunday, Aug. 30. The program will feature several announced and potential candidates for Governor, and

will honor our legislators. TojointheOxfordDemocrats' electronic newsletter, please visit our website www. oxforddems.org.

From

# Western <u>Mountains</u> Senior College

Our first Mollyockett Day booth was very successful with many members and guests stopping to visit. Members were anxious to get their free copy of the Healthy Eating on a Budget recipe book, prepared just in time for the event, thanks to Vicki Cummings of SAD44/ContinuingEducation. Nonmembers can purchase a copy of the book for \$5 and we have a number of books available. Please call Jackie Cressy at 824-0508 and she will make arrangements for you to pick up one. Of course, if you choose to join at this time, you'll get your book for free! Kudos to Aranka Matolcsy,

director executive Mahoosuc Arts Council, on her successful first Mollyockett Day event and for all her help and consideration during our first venture with a booth.

Members were taking advantage of our early membership renewal

program. Members renew their membership by Sept. 1 will have their names entered in a drawing to win a \$35 gift certificate to "Books N Things," To renew your membership, just send a check with your name, address, phone number and e-mail to WMSC, P. O. Box 1305, Bethel.

The drawing will be held at the WMSC Annual Meeting to be held on Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2009, at the Gehring House from 4 to 6 p.m. The committee is working on a special program and there will also be plenty of food and fun. This is a "member only" event but nonmembers who wish to join are invited to attend. FMI call Jackie at 824-0508.

### Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

University of Southern Maine Emeritus Professor Draper Hunt of South Portland will deliver the 18th annual Hall Memorial Lecture as the first event of the 2009 Sudbury summer Canada Days, heritage festival of the Bethel Historical Society, on Friday, Aug. 7, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Dr. Moses Mason House.

As this year marks the 200th anniversary of the birth of Lincoln's first vice president, Maine's Hannibal Hamlin,

born at Paris Hill on 27 August 1809, it seems particularly appropriate to commemorate this historic milestone.

ProfessorHuntisauthorofthe most authoritative biography of Hamlin, A graduate of Harvard University, Hunt received his M.A. and Ph. D. from Columbia University. He has lectured and published widely on the middle period of American history.

VicePresidentHamlinserved in the Maine Legislature, the U.S. House of Representatives, the U.S. Senate, briefly as Maine's Governor and finally returned to the U.S. Senate before joining Lincoln on the 1860 Republican ticket.

Hamlin began his political career as a Democrat, but his strong anti-slavery beliefs moved him in the 1850s into the newly established Republican party.

Hunt will discuss Hamlin's vice presidency and provide some perspective on why he failed to be re-nominated in 1864. The lecture is free and open to all interested persons.

The Lecture honors the memory of dedicated society members Ralph and Marion Hall, who left a bequest that has provided funds to support this event each year. The Hall Lecture Fund makes it possible for leading scholars in New England history to visit the society annually.

### NTL Institute

The first week of the NTL summer session is off to a great start. Thirty-one staff and participants from seven countries and 14 U.S. states have been in Bethel since Sunday participating in two programs.

On Thursday, Appreciative Inquiry: Colloquy begins at the Bethel Inn Conference Center. This lab runs through Sunday, and Appreciative Inquiry: Human Interaction begins.

Sunrise Seminars were held Tuesday through Thursday with good attendance at each.

These informal sessions will be held during the upcoming. week, beginning on Tuesday "Accentuate Positive" presented by Tom-Osborn. Titles for the rest of the week will be posted at a variety of places in town. The sessions are held at the Bethel Inn Conference Center from 7:30 to 8:15 a.m. The public is invited to attend at no charge. Coffee is available. Please feel free to call Christine at 824-8035, or e-mail her at cristng18@yahoo.com.

### Western Maine University and Community College Center

The University of Maine at Fort Kent and the University of Maine at Augusta will each deliver courses in their Criminal Justice/Justice Studies programs to the Western Maine University and Community College Center (WMUCC), located at 232 Main Street in South Paris, beginning this fall.

The University of Maine at Fort Kent will offer five courses in its Criminal Justice Study Sequence (A.A. in General Studies degree). That degree gives the twoyear student the opportunity to take courses relevant to a variety of law enforcement careers. Students can earn, the sequence entirely online.

The University of Maine at Augusta will deliver seven courses in its Justice Studies programs online and via interactive television. UMA's bachelor and associate degrees in Justice Studies provide opportunities in lawenforcement, paralegal work, detective work, corrections. and security.

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### 1 MILE RACE:

### GIRLS:

### 5 and Under:

1st; Jessica Aug, Bethel

2<sup>nd</sup>: Annika Anderson, Bethel 3rd: Annalee Bennett, Gray

1st: Emma Kruse, Greenwood 2<sup>nd</sup>: Kiersten Bennett, Gray

### 3<sup>rd</sup>: Janie Brooks, Benton

1st: Kaelyn Woods, New Gloucester

2<sup>nd</sup>: Madison Bevin, Bryant Pond 3rd: Alison Wyman, Brockton

1st: Kylie Regan, Atkinson, NH

2<sup>nd</sup>: Gabrielle Stone, Bethel

### 3rd: Caili Inman, Albany Twp

Girls Overall:

1<sup>st</sup>: Kylie Regan, Atkinson 2<sup>nd</sup>: Kaelyn Woods, New Gloucester

3<sup>rd</sup>: Gabrielle Stone, Bethel

### BOYS:

### 5 and Under:

1st: Niklas McHugh, Boston

2<sup>nd</sup>: Isaac Bevin, Bryant Pond

3rd: Nicholas Godomsky, Bethel

1st: Jake Miller

2<sup>nd</sup>: Alexander Baribeau, Bethel 3rd: Ansel Mills

9-11: 1st: Malcolm Seamans, Bryant Pond

2<sup>nd</sup>: Cutter Meeker

3rd: Andrew Siegel, Bethel

1st: Coulton Williams, Mason Twp

2<sup>nd</sup>: Eliot List, Bethel 3rd: Justin Stearns, Greenwood

**Boys Overall:** 1st: Coulton Williams, Mason Twp

2<sup>nd</sup>: Eliot List, Bethel

3rd: Malcolm Seamans, Bryant Pond

### WALKERS:

### WOMEN:

1st: Pattie Parsons, Bethel

2<sup>nd</sup>: Brenda Bailey, Andover 3rd: Jen Bailey, Andover

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1st: Ron Carroll, Bethel

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### WOMEN:

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1<sup>st</sup>: Fiona McEnany, Franconia, NH 2<sup>nd</sup>: Molly Siegel, Bethel

3rd: Carly Roberts, Melrose, MA

1st: Abby Wentworth, Bethel

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ellise Churchill, Buckfield 3rd: Caroline Raymond, Boston

### 30-39:

1<sup>st</sup>: Erica Fingar, Lancaster, PA

2<sup>nd</sup>: Lindsay MacMillan, Greenwood 3rd: Kelley Fraser, Bethel

40-49: 1st: Ann Malabre, Gallatin Gtwy, MT

2<sup>nd</sup>: Heidi Godomsky, Bethel 3rd: Terrie Anne Bennett, Bethel

50-59:

1st: Cynthia Stanicoff, Farmington 2<sup>nd</sup>: Deborah Knight, Worcester, MA

3rd: Suzanne Blais, Auburn

### Women's Overall:

1st: Ann Malabre, Gallatin Gtwy, MT 2<sup>nd</sup>: Heidi Godomsky, Bethel

3rd: Fiona McEnany, Franconia, NH

### 19 and Under: 1st: Michael Brooks, Benton

2<sup>nd</sup>: Benjamin Lewis, Bryant Pond

3rd: Adam Mahar, Andover

1st: Tyler Jasud, Rumford

2<sup>nd</sup>: Joe Reynolds, Bryant Pond

3rd: Bryan Wilson, Bryant Pond

1st: Dan Crooker, Bethel 2<sup>nd</sup>: Gunnar Bradbury

3rd: Jeff Hershberger, Greenwood

1st: Kirk Siegel, Bethel

2<sup>nd</sup>: David Brooks, Santa Monica, CA

3rd: Andy Roberts, Melrose, MA

1st: Jeffrey Arsenault, Rumford

2<sup>nd</sup>: Tom Menendez, Lewiston

3rd: Peter Rearick, Hebron

Over 60:

1st: Jeffrey Newsom, Bethel 2<sup>nd</sup>: Kirk Newsom

3rd: Ken Curtis, Wakefield, RI

Men's Overall:

1st: Tyler Jasud, Rumford

2<sup>nd</sup>: Dan Crooker, Bethel 3rd: Michael Brooks, Benton

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### <u>Umbagog Nat'l</u> Wildlife Refuge

If you missed the first two educational events of the summer, you missed out. Naturalists from the Chewonki Foundation were at the Errol School and gave an exciting presentation entitled "Scales and Tales." It was very unique, there were live reptiles such as turtles, snakes, alligators, and even a bearded dragon.

The weekend following "Scales and Tales," visitors came to the Upton School for the special event "Enjoyable Edibles." During this event the North Woods Stewardship Centerwalkedvisitorsthrough the refuge and informed them about medicinal plants, provided a demonstration, and gave a chance to eat some of the "Enjoyable Edibles" during their taste test.

If you did not take advantage of these two great programs, "Scales and Tales" or "Enjoyable Edibles," it is all right, because the best has yet to come.

Umbagog Lake is bringing a variety of programs and events all this summer so mark your calendars. Don't let the rain keep you in, come out with Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge this summer!

The Chewonki naturalists are returning again July 23 at Umbagog Lake State Park

program "Balance of Nature: Predators." This is the last chance to see the Chewonki naturalists at our weekly events, so if you were at "Scales and Tales" then you already know that this upcoming event is going to be something special and if you missed out on "Scales and Tales" be sure to take advantage of this next

event. Chewonki will be helping visitors investigate the role of predators in our landscape. To maximize the overall experience, the Chewonki decided to provide live predators that will be available for visitors to examine.

On Aug. 1 Lin Toombs, the summer 2009 visitors service/ public use intern at Umbagog Lake, will bring to visitors his presentation on "Loons." Lin will be giving this exciting informative presentation on Loons at the Errol Town Hall from 6 to 7 p.m. This is sure to be a presentation you do not want to miss out on. He will be giving an overview of the many aspects that a loon possesses. Come out and experience this enjoyable and lifelong lesson.

On Aug. 7 at Umbagog Refuge office on Route 16, the refuge and the Androscoggin "Moonlight Paddle and Owl Prowl" starting at 6 p.m., with the theme "Who cooks for

from 1 to 2 p.m. with the you." One of the calls in the wild, the Barred Owl is always wondering who the cook is at your house. Come on out to paddle along the Magalloway and Androscoggin rivers to the backwaters and listen for the calls of the owls in the

region. Aug. 14 at the Potter Farm starting at 9 a.m. (must RSVP), cast your line of thought with the New Hampshire Fish and Game presentation of "Let's Go Fishing" at Lake Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge. During this event friends and family will be able to connect and experience all they will need to enjoy this special sport. Visitors will be taught about equipment, safety, knot tying, fish identification, basic ecology and different casting techniques. Then during the afternoon, everyone will have a chance to go out on the boats and practice their new

techniques on Umbagog Lake. The Connecting with Nature series at Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge will provide new opportunities for families to get out and enjoy the natural beauty of Maine and New Hampshire.

These events are free to the public but, be sure to remember that registration is required for the "Let's Go River Watershed Council Fishing" program. Please will introduce visitors to a contact the Refuge office to register or receive additional information by calling (603) 482-3415 ext. 10.

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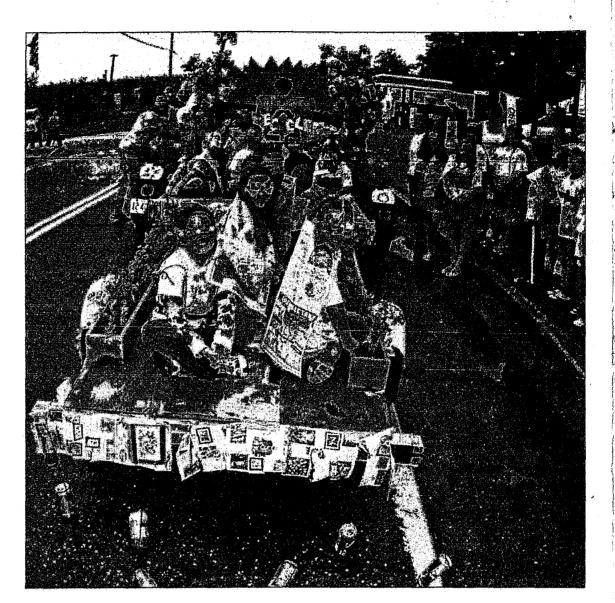
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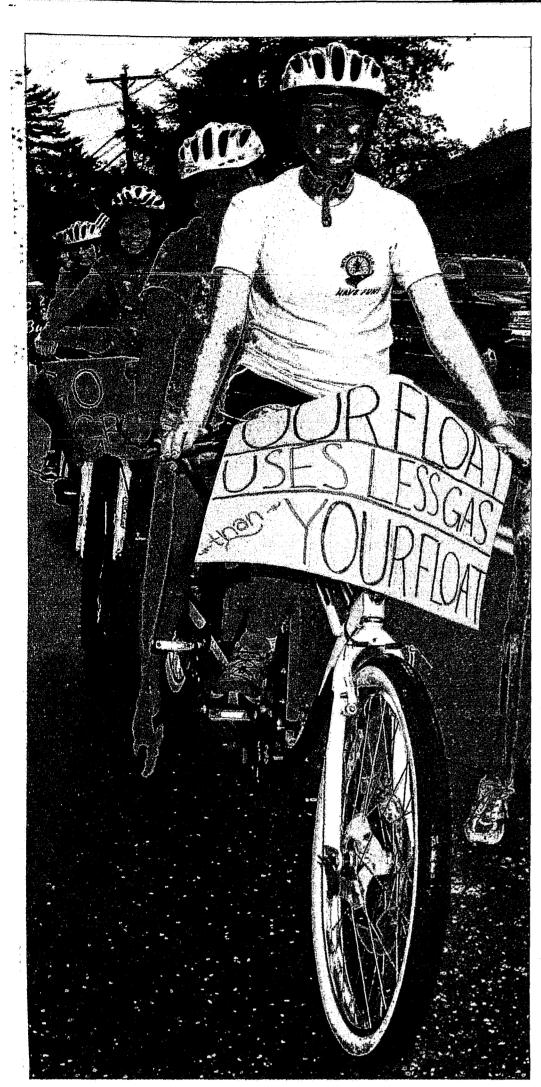


The crowd for Mollyockett Day on Saturday grew steadily as the weather improved during the day. Rain for the road race turned to sun for the afternoon. The theme for this year's parade was "Get Your GREEN On." Clockwise, from top left: Top two photos, Mahoosuc Kids Assn. float participants; hot tubbers on the first-place winning "Balley and Friends" float; a man and his dachshund pass the rainy time before the start of festivities; Tucker Stanton of Boxford, Mass., watched the morning road race from under his umbrella; kids scramble for candy tossed from the Lakes Association float; fire trucks in the parade; the third-place winning Nazarene Church float.

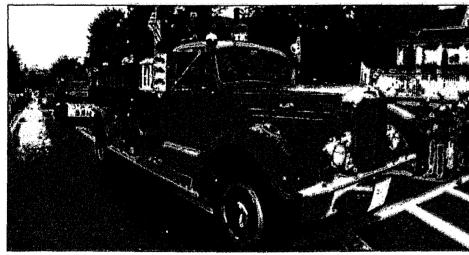
















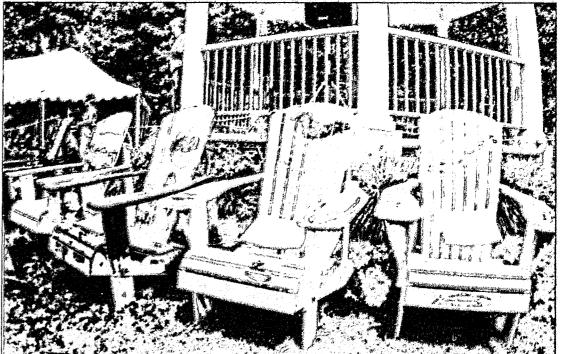






Clockwise, from above: Arlene Tanguay (inset) watches as her great-granddaughter, Camden, coaches her frog in the frog-jumping contest; with the tables turned, a frog appears to coach Kellen True to jump; an expert on alpacas, "Top Gun" of Sunday River Alpacas, seems to be delivering a lecture on the subject on the common; the finder of the Mollyockett Treasure Hunt Medallion, Loretta Holt (right) presented her \$500 in winnings to Tyler Clough (center), who is battling bone cancer (both shown with their families); preparing the food at the annual Fire Station cookout; ART-irondack chairs are auctioned off; the starts of the kids and adult road race (Photos: A. Aloisio)







# **Events Calendar**

9 a.m. to Noon - Bethel Farmers Market, every Saturday through Oct. 31 at Norway Savings Bank (Route 2 and Parkway). Locally grown and fresh: produce, beef, pork, poultry, breads, pies and other baked goods.

9:15 a.m. (Fridays) - Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge at Fare Share Food Coop, 443 Main Street, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: buzz116@myfairpoint.net.

6:30 p.m. Mondays - Hillsmen Barbershop Chorus rehearses at Catholic Church, Norway, New singers welcome. FMI; call Dr. Tere Porter 743-0656 evenings or Pat Fleck at 647-5005.

Every Wednesday, 7 to 9 p.m. The Yet To be Named Banjo Club practices Fare Share Market, 477 Main Street, Norway. Interested banjoists invited to join. Public welcome. FMI: call Alan Hamilton at 875-2680,

First and Third Wednesdays 9 to 12 a.m. - Veterans' Advocate will be at Maine Veterans' Home, South Paris,

Wednesdays 6 to 7:30 p.m. - People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: call Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (all calls confidential).

Wednesday nights - TOPS, take off pounds sensibly, at Bethel Alliance Church from 5:30 to 6 p.m. (weigh in) and meeting from 6 to 6:30 p.m. All welcome. FMI: call 824-3288

Wednesdays 10 to 11 a.m. - T'ai Chi at Ellie's Express and 5 to 6 p.m. at Bethel Family Health Center. Taught by Betsey Foster, MPH. To register, contact Betsey at 875-2426 or BSF@megalink.net.

Thursdays 1 to 3 p.m. - Cross Country Quilters of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at Moses Mason House Barn, corner of Broad and Mason streets, Bethel. All quilters welcome. No dues, no rules, just fun. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at p\_ quilts@yahoo.com or call Kathy Thrall at 824-3111.

Thursdays, 1:30 to 3 p.m. - Cancer Wellness Support Group support and education for cancer patients, survivors, caregivers at Rumford Hospital, Room 357 (2nd floor). Call (877) 336-7287 (toll free) to confirm during stormy weather.

10 a.m. Tuesday and Saturday mornings - Free Nordic Walking Demos at Bethel Outdoor Adventure (off Route 2). FMI and to reserve a pair of poles, call Kate Carroll at 824-2145.

Month of July

Harvest Gold Gallery presents oil impressionist Kristen Dill's colorful still life. Also showing is art by Maine landscape painter Mary Ellen Serina. Gallery located on Route 5 just past Center Lovell Market. Open Daily. Phone: 925-6502. Website: www.harvestgoldgallery.com.

Sundays, July and August (except Aug. 16)

2 to 4 p.m. - Open House at Finnish-American Heritage Center, 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Public invited. FMI: call Barbara Payne at 743-5677.

Thursday, July 23

1 to 2 p.m. - Predators at Umbagog Lake State Park. Chewonki returns to explore ideas about predators and what their future holds in the region. Live predators to examine. To register: call (603) 482-3415 ext. 10.

5:30 p.m. - Albany Congregational Church Supper, Hunts Corner Road. \$6 Adults, \$3 children under 12. Beans, brown bread, rolls, salads, casseroles, pies and beverages.

6 p.m. - CROP Walk kick-off at West Parish Congregational Church (Walk will be Sept. 13). Co-chairs: Christine Trefethen (treflist@megalink.net) or Jane Chandler (jane. h.chandler@gmail.com.

It's always wise to call ahead

Listings in The Citizen's weekly Community Calendar are compiled from a wide variety of sources. While we do our utmost to ensure the reliability of the information presented here, we recognize that when dealing with such a large volume of material, some inaccuracies will occasionally creep in. And in other cases, a sponsoring organization's plans may change between the time The Citizen is printed and the event is held

Accordingly, we strongly urge our readers to call ahead to verify the details of any event they plan to attend. Doing so will greatly reduce the chance of disappointment or needless inconvenience.

8 p.m. - At Deertrees Theatre, Harrison: Momma's Night Out. Tickets: \$20 available at Books N Things, Bethel: The Cool Moose, Bridgton; The Country Sleigh, Naples; Fare Share, Norway or Box Office 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and one hour before performance. FMI: 583-6747 or e-mail Deertrees@usa.net or visit www.deertreestheatre.org.

Saturday, July 25

8 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Food and Treasures at Rumford Center Meeting House. Homemade ice cream and donuts. Ray's famous hot dogs, fabulous sale items: drums and dolls, books and videos, kitchenware, furniture, appliances, bedding and clothing. FMI: 364-7457.

8:30 to 5 p.m. - Skunk Run (scholarship fundraiser in memory of Sandon Morgan) at American Legion Hall, Route 26, Locke Mills, Registration 8:30 to 9:45 a.m. Motorcycle Run. Free lunch and water, Pig Roast/Turkey Fry 3 to 5 p.m. FMI; call 890-6767 or visit www.MySpace.com/BikerSkunk.

9 a.m. - Mahoosuc Land Trust 20th anniversary summer celebration (rescheduled if rain) with hike to top of Rumford Whitecap (about 3 hours). Wear sturdy shoes, bring wind gear, water, and camera. FMI: 824-3806.

9 a.m. - McWain Pond Association (MPA) camp road maintenance workshop at Waterford Town Office, 366 Valley Road, Waterford. Free and open to public. FMI: call Tony Butterall, presi-

dent at 583-2955 or Jeff Stern, project coordinator at 583-2723 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Greenstock Snowports Yard Sale at Lowell's Saw Shop (across from Telstar). No early birds. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Summer Sale at West Bethel Union Church.

Crafts and white elephants. 11 a.m., 12 noon, 1 p.m.– Maine Native Turtles at Maine Wildlife Park, Gray. FMI: call 657-4977 or visit www.mainewil-

dlifepark.com or www.mefishwildlife.com. 11 a.m. - Magic Show hosted by Waterford Library at Wilkins House for kids of all ages.

4 and 8 p.m. - Celebration Barn Theatre, Stock Farm Road, South Paris, presents two Variety Shows, The Big Family Show at 4 p.m. and Big Barn Spectacular at 8 p.m. Silent Auction. Reservations encouraged (743-8452). Doors open 30 minutes before show time. Tickets: matinee \$12 all seats and for evening show adults \$20 and \$16 for seniors and students. FMI; visit www.CelebrationBarn.com.

7:30 p.m. TWO (Matthew and Jason Brady, jugglers) returns to The Brick Church for the Performing Arts, Christian Hill Road (just off Route 5) in Lovell Village. Tickets available at door: adults \$10, 12 and under \$5. FMI: 925-2792 or visit www. lovellbrickchurch.org.

Sunday, July 26

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Open House at Waterford Library in conjunction with Music Sunday at Waterford Congregational Church and Waterford Historical Society Art Exhibit. Light refreshments available.

1 p.m. - North Pond Sailing Association Regatta at North Pond. Small sailboats welcome to join this Sunfish fleet. FMI: call Blaine Mills at 875-3726 or write Blaine Mills, PO Box 175, Greenwood, ME 04255.

1 to 4 P.M. - 80th Birthday Celebration Walter "Jo Pete" Appleby Jr. at West Paris Grange Hall. Refreshments.

Monday, July 27

6:30 p.m. - Bridge Group at Waterford Library (fourth Monday each month). No partner necessary and beginning players welcome. FMI: 588-2729.

Tuesday, July 28

1 p.m. - Little Red Wagon, U. of New Hampshire's children's theatre troupe presentation of William Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" sponsored by Norway Memorial Library and Look program especially for ages 1-6 at Oxford Hills

Wednesday, July 29 10 to 12 a.m. - Asset Protection Workshop at Bethel Inn. \$20 pp. RSVP Debbie at 357-1734.

Free seminar for seniors, Reservations required (576-0822), Refreshments. 2009 update of Federal Estate Tax Laws, Medicaid and Medicare Issues, taxation of Social Security, Probate Laws Rules, etc.

1 to 2:30 p.m. - Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond, summer craft program for all ages. FMI: call 665-2788.

Thursday, July 30

1 p.m. - "Music for Kids" presented by Sebago-Long Lake Music Festival at Oxford Hills High School, South Paris. Tickets: \$2/\$4 at door. Participants of LOOK program and families free. FMI: e-mail music@sebagomusicfestival.org or call 583-

7 p.m. - Mountain Poets meeting at Fare Share Commons, Main Street, Norway. All welcome. FMI: 743-0583 or 743-9808. 7 and 9:30 p.m. - At Deertrees Theatre, Harrison: Bob Marley. Late show adults only. Tickets: available at Books N Things, Bethel; The Cool Moose, Bridgton; The Country Sleigh, Naples; Fare Share, Norway or Box Office 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and one hour before performance, FMI: 583-6747 or email Deertrees@usa.net or visit www.deertreestheatre.org.

July 30 thru Aug. 2

Women's Wilderness Canoe and T'ai Chi Trip will paddle Lake Umbagog, Rapid and Androscoggin rivers and enjoy T'ai Chi play morning and evenings at your campsites. No experience necessary. Everything provided. Led by Mahoosuc Guide Service, co-owner Polly Mahoney and Betsey Foster, longtime T'ai Chi and Qigong teacher. To register or more info: 824-2073 or www.mahoosuc.com.

Friday, July 31

8 a.m. - James T. Keith Memorial Scholarship at Bethel Inn Resort. 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. For dinner tickets (\$22) call Celeste Keith (824-2050) or golf reservations and sponsors call Ron Adams (508-944-20500 or Tom Keith (2007-563-3255),

5:30 p.m. - CHAIR-ity, auction of 100-year-old Grange chairs artfully painted, donated by Suzanne Grover, at Lajos Matolcsy Arts Center, 480 Main Street, Norway; fundraising event by Western Maine Art Group. Chairs displayed at Norway Savings Bank Operation Center windows month of July. Food/ drink served. Silent auction of art and other items. Tickets: \$25. FMI: www.TheWMAG.org or e-mail westernmaineartgroup@g mail.com or call 739-6161.

Friday and Saturday, July 31-Aug. 1 Andover Olde Home Days (watch for schedule in this pa-

Saturday, Aug. 1

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - West Paris Historical Society annual hall lawn sale.

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Used Book Sale by Friends of West Paris Library at West Paris Grange Hall, Church Street.

9 a.m. - Fishing Derby by Rumford Grange 115 at Upper Ellis Fire Pond, Ellis River Road (Route 5) for boys and girls 12 and under who has one of 50 tickets sold on first-come basis. Adult must accompany. Food available. FMI or tickets: call Joe at 470-7402 or Vicki at 364-2129. Sponsored by First Wind.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Back to the Past at Scribner's Mill, Harrison. Celebration of old-time saw milling and homestead activities. FMI: 583-6455 or visit www.scribnersmill.org.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Chainsaw Art with Ron Carlson at Maine Wildlife Park, Gray. Carlson specializes in carving bears but. has carved almost every animal. FMI: call 657-4977 or visit www.mainewildlifepark.com or www.mefishwildlife.com. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. - "The Nile Family" featured at The Dead

River Area Historical Society, Stratton. Nile Family Tribute 1:30 to 3 p.m. FMI: call Mary Henderson 246-2271. 6 to 7 p.m. - Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge presents

Lin Toombs on "Loons" at Errol Town Hall, Free, FMI or to reg ister: call (603) 482-3415 ext. 10.

7 p.m. - Telstar Class of 1984 Reunion at Bethel Inn. Cost:

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Bethel Freedom Group's Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's 12 Step/Traditions Meeting. Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's Open Discussion Meeting. Fridays at 6pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street; and Saturdays (Thanksgiving through April 1) at 4pm at Sunday River South Ridge Base Lodge, third-floor human resources conference

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### **EXCHANGES**

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday 1-4pm, Thursday 4-6pm and Saturday, 10am-

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center offers assistance to individuals or families with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

### HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and the Strafford Ave. Family Center in Rumford. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 744-4031 or call 369-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 8a-4p. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

### MENTAL ILLNESS

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5pm; Tuesday 9am-2pm; Wednesday 9am-8pm; Wednesday 3-8pm; Friday 2-7pm; Saturday 11am-4pm. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222

### POST PARTUM

"Meet the Midwives" meets from 5-6:30 every first Tuesday of the month, and the Post Partum Support Group meets every fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:30-7:30. The meetings take place at Blue Moon Midwives, 176 Main Street, Norway, directly across from Stephen's Memorial Hospital. For more information, call 207-739-2800 or visit www.bluemoonmidwives.com

### REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

### ETERANS' SERVICES

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Career Center in Rumford (364-3718), second Thursday 9-12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 29 Westminster St., 7:30am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday, Location: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15pm. Tel. 392-4841.

# Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1-4:30 pm; Thursday 1-4:30 & 6-8 pm.

Bethel Library: Monday 9-1; Tuesday 1-5; Wednesday 1-8; Thursday & Friday 1-5 Saturday, 9-1. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11 am October to May. Michelle Conroy, Librarian. Tel: 824-2520. Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday 11:30-5:30; Saturday 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 pm. Tel. 743-2980

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel: 665-2505. Tuesday 1:30-5; Thursday 1:30-7.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-6; Wednesday 1:30-7; Friday 1:30-6; Saturday 10-2. Patty Makley, Librarian, Tel: 674-2004

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 9-3; Thursday, 5-8; Saturday, 9-noon. Upton Library: Tuesday 1-4 (Storyhour 1-2); Saturday 9-Noon.

# Church Services

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9am; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m.

followed by brunch. All are welcome. FMI - 392-Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff. Morning worship 9:30 - 10:30, with brunch to follow. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m.

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Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor; Jim Rose, Youth Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs. 5th grade) and High School Youth Group (9th-12th grade) at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m. For more information, call 824-2289.

Church of the Nazarene - Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 am: Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. morning worship. Wednesday evening service in different locations. Call for info., 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 FMI.

West Parish Congregational - Rev. Virginla Rickeman. 10 a.m. worship, child care available. Prayer, Tuesday, 8 a.m., FMI call 824-0550. Our Lady of the Snows- Saturday mass

at 6 p.m.. Rev. Angelo Levasseur. 364-4556. United Methodist - Geoffrey Gross, Pas-

tor. 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship. Sunday School, West Bethel Union - Morning worship

and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information,

call 836-3533 or 836-2882. Rev. John Williams.

Pleasant Valley Bible - Pastor Aaron Mc-Nally. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9am; Worship Service, 10am; Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30pm; Prayer meeting Tuesday 6pm: Awana clubs follow school-year calendar.

FMI 836-3006 or 824-2037. Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Worship at 9 a.m. Sunday.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. For more info, call

### EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9am, followed by Bible Study at 9:15am

### GORHAM, NH

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m.,

Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m., FMI 603-466-2851 Gorham Congregational Church - Interim minister Rev. Kent Schneider. Sunday morning worship and church school at 10:30am, Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month, FMI 603-466-2136.

### HARRISON

Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church - Bolster's Mills Road, Harrison, Rev. Walter R. Brown, Pastor. Sunday worship at 8:45 a.m., Church school 10:15 a.m. for kids kindergarten - grade 12. Call 583-9024 or 998-7040

LOCKE MILLS Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra With-

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ey. Sunday morning service will begin at 9 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

Saints- 265 Main Street. Worship Service Sundays at 10am. Pres. Peter Beeckel. 364-5881.

NEWRY Sunday River Christian Ministry - with Rev. Don Coverdale and gospel singer Cynthia Clark. On-mountain interdenominational worship service held every Sunday during ski season. ALERT: we are now located in the Juniper Room; Jordan Grand Hotel. New time: 10:00am-

11:00am. Ski-in, or take the resort shuttle from

South Ridge to Jordan. For more information:

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First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (catercorner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 824.4099 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117,

S. Paris. Pastors Kim Marie and Tom Myhre. Sunday School at 9am; Sunday morning service 10:15 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship. Bible Study, Wednesdays 7 North Parls Federation- Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m.,

Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968. Singsperation

third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m.. Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office, Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Sunday Services 9 a.m., June-Aug.; Sunday School at 10 a.m. Informal worship at 5 p.m. Sundays. Healing service with communion 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more information.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill, 10:30 am worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake.

St. Catherine's: Saturday 6 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11am worship. (Sept - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11am-12:15pm. FMI 743-2828.

### OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass. Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

RUMFORD St. Barnabus Episcopal Church - Holy

Communion, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Tim Parsons, Priest-in-charge. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary.

RUMFORD CENTER

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. Adult and teen Sunday school 9am. Sunday worship service at 10am. Sunday prayer meeting at 6pm. Wednesday night bible study and youth group 7pm. 170 Andover Road. FMI call 364-3856 or see our website at www.praiseassemblyofgod.nef.

RUMFORD POINT Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Sondra

SUMNER East Sumner Congregational-Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

WEST PARIS Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris • 9 a.m. worship, Rev. Richard Beal.

West Paris Baptist - Sunday Worship 9:15 am., Bruce Tyner, Pastor. Sunday School Preschool thru kindergarten 9:45am. Sunday School Grades 1-6, 10:25am, Sunday evening worship 7:00 p.m.; Monday Diacon-nette meeting first Monday of the month; Tuesday ladies fellowship meets the fourth Tuesday of every month. Tea & Toys Time Bi-Weekly 9:30-11:30am, Adult Choir Wednesday evenings, Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7pm, church business meetings the

third Wednesday of the month. West Paris Congregational Church · Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

### WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Larry Hodgkins, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer & bible study or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more informa-5:30 p.m.; Fridays: Youth Group 7-12th grade.

> Woodstock Seventh day Adventist Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. II a.m. wor-

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends - a wor-ship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. Call Dick Stratton at 824-8669 FMI.

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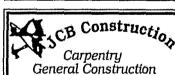
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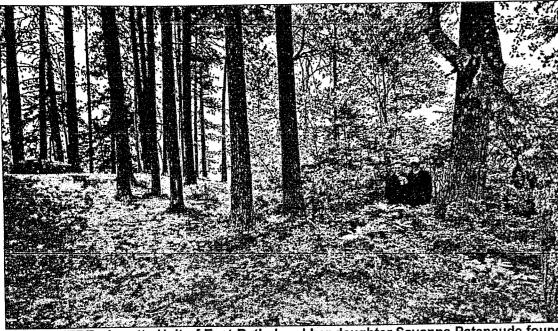
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FOUND HERE—Loretta Holt of East Bethel and her daughter Savanna Patenaude found the 2009 Mollyockett Treasure Hunt Medallion just after 5 a.m. last Thursday, in a growth of alder at the Locke Mills picnic area on Route 26.

### 2009 Mollyockett Medallion Treasure Hunt clues explained

"... take a cue from the essential tool for encoding clues." The tool is language, our version of which has 26 letters — The medallion is along Route 26.

"Keats wrote of an earlier treasure seeker,

'silent upon a peak' in a land of similar lay'

John Keats concludes his well-known sonnet "On First Looking into Chapman's Homer" with an image of Hernan Cortes and his men staring at the Pacific Ocean, "Silent upon a peak in Darien," That would be the Central American Isthmus of Darien, now known as "Panama" a — The land where the medallion is hidden is an isthmus.

"Best to set your sights low ... but lush."

Self-explanatory — In vegetation near the ground, no need to clamber through the canopy.

"Overhead, screaming raptors dogleg."

Those raptors being F-15 Eagles and F-16 Falcons, 500 feet overhead on VFR 840, a low-level military training route. The route is generally north-south here, but takes a 60-degree turn immediately over the Locke Mills picnic area.

"When nature calls more loudly than the loons, relief is just around the corner."

The picnic area has loons nearby, and if you're on the dirt driveway at the eastern end (where the medallion was hidden) and need to go, a state-maintained facility is just around

—And a special "thank you" to North Pond resident Jane Chandler, for aiding and abetting this year's treasure hunt, and for taking the photograph that served as its final clue.

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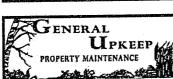
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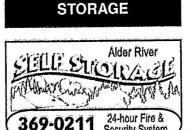
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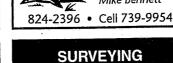
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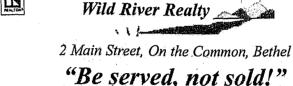
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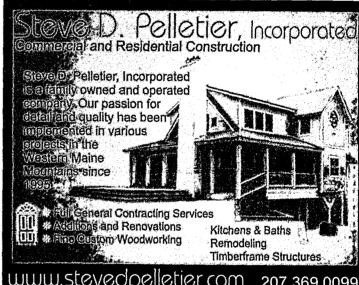
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Notice is hereby given that in accordance with a Stipulated Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale dated March 19, 2009, which judgment was entered by the Superior Court for Oxford County in the case of Northeast Bank f/k/a Northeast Bank, F.S.B. v. Scott D. Berger and Lynn H. Berger and The Jordan Grand Condominium Owners Association, Docket No. RE-08-33, and wherein the Court adjudged a foreclosure of a mortgage granted by Scott D. Berger and Lynn H. Berger to Northeast Bank dated April 2, 1999 and recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds on April 13, 1999 in Book 2689, Page 102 (the "Mortgage"), the period of redemption from said judgment having expired, a public sale will be conducted on August 20, 2009 commencing at 10:00 a.m. at the offices of Lambert Coffin Haenn, 477 Congress Street, 14th floor, Portland, Maine. Reference should be had to said Mortgage for a more complete legal description of the property to be conveyed.

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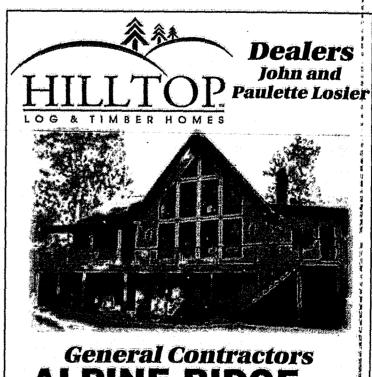
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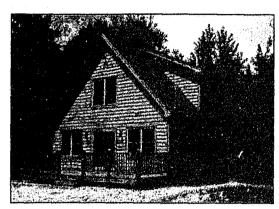
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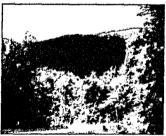
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beam home, 4,000 +/- sq. ft., three levels, one BR apt., on beautifully scenic parcel, \$350,000	style merging gracefully among taste- ful modern renovations. Well under recent appraised value at \$669,000	– Renovated through-out – 2 BR's, Gas Stove, Lovely Kitchen, Great Trail Access! \$119,900	FALL LINE N-211 N-106 N-217 W-210	STUDIO 2 BR 1 BR 2 BR 1 BR	\$93,900 \$119,900 \$125,000 \$129,900 \$145,900
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Farmers Hill Rd, Andover: This 3-BR/ bath log cabin is located on Farmer's Hill in Andover Privately situated on 6.7 acres with perennial gardens and a large sunny yard Only 1/2 a mile from ITS 82 and minutes to several lakes, this home is in the midst of hunting and fishing paradise. \$189,000



South Shore Road, Lot 2, Albany Twp: five-room cottage is situated on a waterfront lot with 144 feet of prime water frontage on Songo Pond it has western views across the pond which is wonderful for swimming, boating and ice fishing. This is a great spot for a family getaway \$224,900



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93 Will View Road, Bethel: Two-bedroom cabin on 1.5 acres in an established subdivision off the Sunday River Road just a couple of miles to the resort. Cozy and comfortable with open living area, gas stove, and a farmer's porch. Snowmobile trail access \$169,900



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NEW LISTING 39 Mason Street, Bethel: This 1.6-acre in-town lot has great potential - for a home or a development project. Town water & sewer. Land has been surveyed, \$179,000

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nieces and nephews. She was

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and two daughters, Mrs

Robert (Phyllis) Coolidge of

Greenwood and Elaine Sue

Henley of Parker, Colo.; and

Memorial services will be

held at the Locke Mills Union

Church on Friday, July 24, at

2 p.m. with Rev. Ben Conant

officiating. Burial will be in

the East Bethel Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory

may be made to either the

American Cancer Society or

to the Greenwood Historical

Online condolences may

be left for the family at www.

Muriel L. Cole, 86, formally

of Greenwood, passed away

July 15, 2009 at Ledgeview

Born in Greenwood, Sept.

8, 1922, she was the daughter

of Daniel Ransom and Bertha

"Nettie" Anjanette (Swan)

She lived in Greenwood all

of her life. She was a caretaker

for her parents, both of whom

lived well into their 90s; her

father died in 1965 and her

She also cared for many of

her family and neighborhood

Muriel worked for a few

years at Ekco Products Co.

from which she retired. She

was a hard worker and an

avid fisherman, hunter, and

She is survived by a brother,

Carlton and his wife Nonie;

and many nieces and nephews,

including Marvin Cole with

whom she lived in her later

Muriel was predeceased by

a brother, Lester Cole, and

four sisters, Laura Seames

(Mrs. Peter Sr.), Tina Morgan,

(Mrs. Willie ) Ethlyn Cole,

and Carrie Robinson ( Mrs.

Graveside services will be

held Saturday, July 25, at 2 p.m. at Hick's Cemetery in

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JOHN D. GROVER

John D. Grover Jr., 78, of Albany Twp. died July 16, 2009 at the Maine Veterans' Home in South Paris.

Born July 21, 1930 in Stoneham, he was the son of John D. and Sarah (McKeen) Grover.

John married Joan Hobson on June 15, 1953 in West Paris. He worked most of his life for Grover Lumber Company. He enjoyed mowing and caring for his yard.

He was a member of the Maine National Guard for three years and the US Marine Corp for two.

He was a graduate of Norway High School in 1950. He is survived by his wife, Joan, of 56 years; one daughter, Deidra Brown and her husband Levi of Bethel; one grandson, Lance Brown of Bethel; one granddaughter, Kallie Brown of Bethel; one brother, Lyndon Grover of North Waterford; two sisters, Harriett Brown of Oxford and Stella Johnson of Beltsville, Md.; along with several nieces and nephews.

John was predeceased by his parents; one daughter, Debra Tripp; and son-in-law, Alan Tripp; two brothers, Douglas and William Grover who were killed in WWII.

The family would like to thank Dr. Eshleman and the staff of Stephens Memorial Hospital and The Maine Veterans' Home for their compassionate care of their loved one.

Stoneham Rescue Service, PO Box 42, Stoneham, ME 04231 or EastStoneham Congregational Church, RR5, Stoneham, ME 04231.

A graveside service was held Tuesday, July 21, at the Hillside Cemetery in Stoneham.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.oxfordhillsfuneralservi ces.com.



**CARL R. BONNEY** 

Carl Raymond Bonney. 78, of Woodstock, died at his residence on July 17, 2009.

He was born in Sumner on Jan. 26, 1931 the son of the late Owen and Gladys (Buck) Bonney and was educated in local schools and received his GED at the age of 70.

Carl had worked as a woodsman all of his life, He enjoyed fishing and reading especially enjoyed building furniture for his family and friends. His grandchildren and greatgrandchildren were a very Donations preferred to the important part of his life.

Please join the Bohr family for a

Service of Celebratory Remembrance in honor of

Gwyneth Griffin Bohr (February 27, 1920- July 1, 2009)

Saturday, July 25, 2009 6:00 p.m.

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on Tuesday, August 4, 2009. The Town will require 2500 cubic yards of three

quarter-screened sand, salted and stockpiled in Town Salt Shed. All sand must be in building by September 4, 2009. Salt will be mixed with sand when screened. The Town of Greenwood will supply the salt. Bids should be in a sealed envelope marked "Winter Sand" and no bid received later than 4 pm will be accepted.

The Board of Selectmen reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Kimberly Sparks, Road Commissioner

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Alliene (Morgan) Bonney of Woodstock; two sons, Larry Bonney and his wife Elsie of Bethel and Josh Bonney of Woodstock; two daughters, Kathy

Scherf and her husband Robert Woodstock and Julie Cummings and her husband Michael of Woodstock; one brother William Bonney of Kentucky; two sisters, Barbara and Margaret Knightly Stevens both of South Paris; 10 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his parents; three sons, Christopher, Russell, and Raymond Bonney; five brothers, Hubert,

Qualey. Private family services will be held at a later date. Memorials in Carl's name may be made to a Humane Society of your choice. Online condolences may be left for the family at www. andrewsgreenleaf.com,

Corey, Merton, Owen Jr and

Arthur; and one siste, Joan

### JEANNETTE KIMBALL

Jeannette Ella Kimball, 89, of Locke Mills, died at the Ledgeview Living Center on July 18, 2009.

She was born in Locke Mills on Aug. 6, 1920 the daughter of LaForest and Annie Kimball. attended Locke Mills schools and graduated from Gould Academy Class of 1937.

married C. Mellen She Kimball of East Bethel on June 2, 1940 at the Kimball homestead in East Bethel and they had three children.

She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Greenwood Historical Society and the Locke Mills Union Church.

She is survived by one son, Glendon Kimball of Greenwood; grandchildren, Lee Ann Wright of Bethel, Bethany Pelletier of Hanover, Hannah Malley of Bethel, Hilary Kimball of Mississippi and Christopher Henley of



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### Shock the pool safely

With all the recent wet weather it's been too cool for the pool, yet every year there are reports about pool owners mishandling pool chemicals. The results can be violent reactions that cause burns and injuries to the face and lungs. Pool chemical safety is yet another environmental health and safety tip that bears repeating during the Maine summer season.

Look at it this way — nature uses living organisms and oxygen to clean the water in our lakes and streams, but in pools we use strong chemicals to kill living organisms. There is a myriad of chemicals used to adjust the pH (corrosiveness), color and clarity of the water, all of which need to be properly handled.

But by far the most serious chemical used is the disinfectant chlorine.

Chlorine is used worldwide to disinfect drinking water and to drive chemical reactions in industry. It is an extremely reactive chemical that wants to attach itself to compounds. In doing so it breaks down organic matter (i.e. kills bacteria and microorganisms in drinking water and pools). But it can also recombine with other organic matter and form new compounds, such as trihalomethanes and dioxin, both of which are cancer-causing agents.

That's why government and industry are working hard to

minimize the use of this chemical.

As was pointed out at the beginning of this article, with swimming pools the danger lies primarily in the improper storage and mixing of chlorine-containing compounds. (Chlorine is actually a gas that is released when chlorine compounds are mixed with water). Chlorine reacts with the mucous membranes (e.g. eyes, nose and lungs) and forms an acid, which chemically burns the affected areas. This can lead to severe respiratory problems. Chlorine gas also displaces oxygen and causes asphyxiation.

The key to safe use of chlorine is to store it in a dry area away from the other pool chemicals, petroleum and other fuels (even tires) because chlorine can react (oxidize) with these materials and cause a fire. Follow the storage and mixing directions and always mix outside.

There are alternative technologies that are used to disinfect swimming pool water. These don't require any chlorine, or will greatly reduce the amount of chlorine needed, and are easier on your mucous membranes. Some of the alternatives are: biguanides, chemicals that are also used in some contact lens cleaning solutions and ionizers that electrically produce silver and copper ions that are released in the water to kill organisms. Check with your pool doctor for more information.

So stay cool and safe this summer around the old cementswimming hole, and please follow all the directions in using pool chemicals.

This column was submitted by David McCaskill, a Senior Environmental Engineer with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection, and a regular contributor to In Our Back Yard on environmental, health and safety issues. In Our Back Yard is a weekly column of the Maine DEP. E-mail your questions to infodep@maine.gov or send them to In Our Back Yard, Maine DEP, 17 State House Station, Augusta, ME

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